

EASTERN CARIBBEAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (REOI)

Title of the EOI: Recommendation to review the outcome of the public consultation on Net Neutrality, including ECTEL's determination paper on Net Neutrality; draft Net Neutrality Regulations for ECTEL Member States and to conduct a public consultation on draft Net Neutrality Regulations in conformity with the public consultation process in the ECTEL Member States.

Date of the EOI: March 28, 2018

Closing Date for EOI: April 18, 2018

EOI Number: 2018/RF/002

Address EOI response for the attention of: Managing Director (Ag)

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DESCRIPTION OF REQUIREMENTS

Services

ECTEL seeks the services of a consultant that satisfies the qualifications outlined below to:

- 1. Review the outcome of the public consultation on Net Neutrality, including ECTEL's Determination Paper on Net Neutrality;
- 2. Draft Net Neutrality Regulations for ECTEL Member States in conformity with the proposed draft Electronic Communications Bill, its accompanying regulations and new licensing framework;

- 3. Conduct a public consultation on draft Net Neutrality Regulations in conformity with the public consultation process;
- 4. Evaluate the responses received during the public consultation process and to prepare a determination paper;
- 5. Finalize the Net Neutrality Regulations for the ECTEL Member States in conformity with the proposed draft Electronic Communications Bill, its accompanying regulations and new licensing framework; and
- 6. Make presentations to stakeholders on ECTEL's behalf on the Draft Net Neutrality Regulations, if deemed necessary.

Minimum Required Qualifications

The consultant is expected to be an individual or a team of experts with skills and experience in telecommunications sector regulation including net neutrality and open internet policies. The key personnel should consist of: (1) specialist in the area of telecommunications regulation and policy with at least ten (10) years' experience in the sector and (2) legal drafter with at least five years' relevant experience. Knowledge and experience in economics and finance will be considered an important asset.

Knowledge, experience and familiarity of the Telecommunications sector in developing countries; and international best practices in open internet and net neutrality issues relevant to the ECTEL Contracting States would also be an important requirement.

EOI SUBMISSION PROCESS

Expressions of interest must be in written form and clearly marked "Expression of Interest recommendation to review the outcome of the public consultation on Net Neutrality, including ECTEL's determination paper on Net Neutrality; draft Net Neutrality Regulations for ECTEL Member States and to conduct a public consultation on draft Net Neutrality Regulations in conformity with the public consultation process in the ECTEL Member States."

Submissions can be delivered in person, by mail, by fax or by email and addressed to the Managing Director, ECTEL, P O Box 1886, 5th Floor, Conway Business Centre, Waterfront, Castries, Saint Lucia; fax: 1758 458 1698; email: procurement@ectel.int

Submissions must contain a completed vendor response form and the curriculum vitae(s) of the consultant providing the service.

Submissions must be received by **ECTEL by 4:30 PM on Wednesday 18th April 2018.** No substantive or material changes or corrections to material will be allowed after the submission deadline.

Please direct any inquiries on this REOI to Andrew Millet at procurement@ectel.int

OTHER

The information provided in the response will help ECTEL to identify qualified and interested consultants for consideration to receive Requests for Proposals to the recommendation to review the outcome of the public consultation on Net Neutrality, including ECTEL's determination paper on Net Neutrality; draft Net Neutrality Regulations for ECTEL Member States and to conduct a public consultation on draft Net Neutrality Regulations in conformity with the public consultation process in the ECTEL Member States within a seven (7) month period.

ECTEL advises that the period of engagement is tentative and is subject to change as mutually agreed.

This REOI is not a request for or an authorization to perform any work. Any costs of submitting an EOI will be at the Respondent's own expense. ECTEL reserves the right to reject any or all responses to this REOI.



VENDOR RESPONSE FORM

| TO: Managing Director (Ag) | EOI Number: 2018/RF/002 |
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| FROM: | |
| SUBJECT : Recommendation to review the outcome of the public consultation on Net Neutrality, including ECTEL's determination paper on Net Neutrality; draft Net Neutrality Regulations for ECTEL Member States and to conduct a public consultation on draft Net Neutrality Regulations in conformity with the public consultation process in the ECTEL Member States. COMPANY INFORMATION | |
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| Address: | |
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| E-Mail Address: | |
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| I/We declare that I/We meet the qualifications for eligibility to receive the request for proposals relating to the provision of the service outlined in this REOI. | |
| Signature Date: | |
| Name and Title: | |