

Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) Invitation to Bid Services



# **Cover Letter**

Kabul May 2025

### Our reference:

SUBJECT: INVITATION TO TENDER FOR International and National Money Transfer Services.

Dear Mr/Ms

Following your enquiry regarding the publication of the above-mentioned invitation to tender, please find enclosed the following documents, which constitute the tender dossier.

Any request for clarification must be received by NRC in writing at least 5 working days before the deadline for submission of tenders. NRC will reply to bidders' questions at least 2 working days before the deadline for submission of tenders.

Costs incurred by the bidder in preparing and submitting the tender proposals will not be reimbursed.

If you decide not to submit a tender, we would be grateful if you could inform us in writing, stating the reasons for your decision.

Yours sincerely, NRC Procurement Department On behalf of the Bid Analysis Committee >

This ITB document contains the following:

- ✓ Section 1: This cover Letter
- ✓ Section 2: Bid Data sheet
- ✓ Section 3: NRC Invitation to bid general terms & condition
- ✓ Section 4: Technical description of the Bid
- ✓ Section 5: Bidding form
- ✓ Section 6: Service Provision Schedule
- ✓ Section 7: Company Profile and Previous Experience
- ✓ Section 8: Service Description & Pricing Proposal
- ✓ Section 9: Ethical Standards Declaration

## **Bid Data Sheet**

1. Background Data						
Contract Name:	Contract Number: 122					
International and National Money Transfer						
Services.						

This bid is issued by Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC office in Afghanistan) Any correspondence can be addressed the following address office.

# House#23, Street#3, Qala-e-Fathullah, District #10, Kabul, Afghanistan.

# Or sent to email af.procurement@nrc.no

## 2. Scope of Service

The Contracts eligible for bidding are:

Contract No.	Country	Location	Service Description
122	Afghanistan	Kabul	International and National Money Transfer Services.

Please refer to the service specifications in section 4

#### 3. Schedule & Deadline for Submission

The deadline for submission of bids is 15:00 Hrs. (3:00 PM) Afghanistan Time on the 26<sup>th of</sup> June 2025 Late bids will not be accepted.

	DATE	TIME*
Invitation to Bid release	3 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	
Deadline for request for any clarifications from NRC	22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	
Last date on which clarifications are issued by NRC	25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	
Deadline for submission of bids (receiving date, not sending date)	26 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	03:00PM

\* All times are in the local time of Afghanistan.

\*\* Approximate dates

Please note all dates are provisional dates and NRC reserves the right to modify this schedule.

4. Manner of Submission:

Please submit your bids in accordance with the requirements detailed below:

Complete sealed bid documents shall be deposited in the sealed tender box at NRC Office (Adress Below) and the acknowledgment of submission of the bids to be received from the NRC staff present by the tender box.

# House#23, Street#3, Qala-e-Fathullah, District #10, Kabul, Afghanistan.

not later than the mentioned time and date in the table above, on the due date indicated above.

NOTE: Bids sent in any other form other than Sealed Bids submitted/Dropped in the sealed tender box will not be accepted.



#### **Assessment Criteria**

Award of the contract(s) will be based on the following:

#### Step 1: Administrative compliance check

Bidders must provide evidence of the following for their bid to be considered compliant:

Sections 5-9 completed, signed and stamped

Bidder has included a copy of their valid business licence

#### **Step 2: Technical Evaluation**

A Technical Evaluation of all bids received will be conducted for bidders that pass Step 1 – Administrative Compliance Check. Criteria that will be used to evaluate and score the bids are outlined in Section 3, Clause 26

#### **Step 3: Financial Evaluation**

Price in comparison to NRC established expectation and in comparison to other bidders of comparable technical quality



Bidder's Checklist To Be Adjusted As Per Conditions Of Tender

Description		e filled dder	To be filled by NRC bid committee		
		Included?		ent & olete?	Comments
BIDS Received in Hard Copy Submission or by E Mail?					
Step/ document to be submitted with tender	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Section 2- Paragraph 6.Bidder's checklist - <u>Compulsory</u>					
Section 3 – General Terms & Conditions – signed & stamped - <b>Compulsory</b>					
Section 4 –Service Provision – completed, signed & stamped – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Section 5 – Bidding Form – completed, signed & stamped – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Section 6 – Service Provision Schedule - signed & stamped – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Section 7 – Company profile & experience – completed, signed & stamped – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Section 8 – Service provision description and pricing proposal – completed, signed & stamped –					
<u>Compulsory</u> Section 9 – Ethical Standards Declaration – signed & stamped – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Supporting documents					
Copy of company registration (in the business for FTS) – <u>Compulsory</u>					
Bidders not having licence in providing the mentioned services (Money Transfer from designated authorities, will be rejected.)					
Copy of tax registration – <b>Compulsory</b>					
References and proof of experience - Compulsory					
Copies of Company Director(s) NID – Compulsory					

To be filled in by NRC bid committee only	Eligible	Ineligible
Outcome of administrative eligibility check.		

# NRC Invitation to Bid - General Terms & Conditions

- 1 Scope of Bid
  - 1.1 The bid is based on the scope of the assignment as determined in the Bid Data Sheet (Section 2). The instruction to bidders should be read in conjunction with the Bid Data Sheet.
  - 1.2 The successful Bidder will be expected to complete the assignment by the Intended Completion Date specified in the contract to be signed

## 2 Corrupt Practices

- 2.1 **Norwegian Refugee Council** requires Employees, Bidders and Contractors, to observe standards of ethics during procurement and the execution of contracts. In pursuit of this, Norwegian refugee Council defines, for the purposes of this provision, the terms set forth below as follows:
  - a) "Corrupt practice" includes the offering, giving, receiving, or soliciting of anything of value to influence the action of a public official in the procurement process or in contract execution; and
  - b) "Fraudulent practice" includes a misrepresentation of facts in order to influence a procurement process or the execution of a contract to the detriment of the Norwegian Refugee Council, and includes collusive practices among Bidders prior to or after bid submission designed to establish bid prices at artificial, non-competitive levels and to deprive the Norwegian Refugee Council of the benefits of free and open competition;
  - c) In any case where fraud or corruption is identified, NRC will:
    - reject any bids where the Bidder has engaged in corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the Contract;
    - remove bidding contractors who engage in fraudulent or corrupt practices, from our prequalified list
    - liaise with District Officials to report if fraudulent or corrupt practices are identified
    - terminate works
- 2.2 Any communications between a Bidder and the Norwegian Refugee Council related to matters of alleged fraud or corruption must be made in writing and addressed to the Country Director in Afghanistan

#### 3 Data Protection and Security

- 3.1 NRC expects contractors who process personal data to comply with the General Data Protection Regulation (EU GDPR) and any relevant national legislation. Suppliers processing personal data on an NRC contract will be required to sign a data processing / sharing agreement as a part of the contract. Refusal to sign such an agreement constitutes refusal of the contract terms and forfeiture of the contract on the part of the supplier.
- 4 Eligible Bidders
  - 4.1 A Bidder shall meet the following criteria to be eligible to participate in NRC procurement of Services:
    - a) the bidder, at the time of bid, is not:
      - i. insolvent;
      - ii. in receivership;



- iii. bankrupt; or
- iv. being wound up
- b) the bidder's business activities have not been suspended;
- c) the bidder is not the subject of legal proceedings for any of the circumstances in (b); and
- d) The bidder has fulfilled his or her obligations to pay taxes and social security contributions. In a case where VAT is included in a bid, a copy of the VAT certificate must accompany the bid.
- e) A Bidder, and all parties constituting the Bidder, including sub-contractors, shall not have a conflict of interest. All Bidders found to have an undisclosed conflict of interest shall be disqualified. A Bidder may be considered to have a conflict of interest with one or more parties in this bidding process if they have a relationship with each other, directly or through common third parties that puts them in a position to have access to information about or influence on the bid of another Bidder, or influence the decisions of the Norwegian Refugee Council regarding this bidding proce
- 4.2 A Bidder whose circumstances in relation to eligibility change during a procurement process or during the execution of a contract shall immediately inform the Norwegian Refugee Council.
- 4.3 NRC reserves the right to refuse a bid at any time if the bidder or any party constituting the Bidder, including one of its sub-contractors violates any of the ethical standards provided in section 9 of this Invitation to Bid.

#### 5 Joint Ventures, Consortia and Associations

Bids submitted by a joint venture, consortium or association of two or more firms as partners will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances.

#### 6 One Bid Per Bidder Per Work

Each Bidder shall submit only one Bid per contract. A Bidder who submits or participates in more than one bid per contract will cause all the bids with the Bidder's participation to be rejected.

# 7 Cost of Bidding

The Bidder shall bear all costs associated with the preparation and submission of his Bid, and the Norwegian Refugee Council shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the bidding process.

#### 8 Inspection

NRC is obliged to ensure that its procurement decisions are clearly justified and documented and keeping within the Donors mandatory principles. In that regard, full and on-the-spot access must be granted to representatives of NRC, the Donor or any organisation or person mandated by it, to premises belonging to NRC or its contractors. The right to access shall include all documents and information necessary to assess, or audit the implementation of the contract

# 9 Obtaining and Completing Bidding Documents

- 9.1 Bidders can download the bid from the ACBAR website, NRC website or can collect from NRC Kabul office. Those who obtain from the NRC office should register with their company while collecting the ITB.
- 9.2 The Bidder is expected to examine all instructions, forms, terms, and specifications in the Bidding Document. Failure to furnish all information or documentation required by the



Bidding Document may result in the rejection of the bid.

# 10 Clarification of Bidding Document

A prospective Bidder requiring any clarification of the Bidding Document shall contact the Norwegian Refugee Council in writing. The Norwegian Refugee Council will respond in writing to any request for clarification before the deadline for clarification of bids. The Norwegian Refugee Council shall forward copies of its response to all Bidders who have acquired the Bidding Document, including a description of the inquiry but without identifying its source.

# 11 Amendment of Bidding Document

- 11.1 At any time prior and until 48 hours prior to the deadline for submission of bids, the Norwegian Refugee Council may amend or cancel the Bidding Document by informing the bidders in writing.
- 11.2 To give prospective Bidders reasonable time in which to take an amendment or cancellation into account in preparing their bids, the Norwegian Refugee Council can, at his discretion, extend the deadline for the submission of bids.

# 12 Language of Bid

- 12.1 The bid, as well as all correspondence and documents relating to the bid shall be written in English.
- 12.2 Supporting documents and printed literature that are part of the bid may be in another language provided they are accompanied by an accurate translation of the relevant passages in English, in which case, for purposes of interpretation of the Bid, such translation shall govern.
- 12.3 Copies of official documents such as business registration, tax documents, bank guaranty can be provided in their issuance language.

# 13 Documents Comprising the Bid

- 13.1 The bid submitted by the Bidder shall comprise all the mandatory documents listed in Section 2 Paragraph 06. Bidders' checklist.
- 13.2 All forms must be completed without any alterations to the format, and no substitutes shall be accepted. All blank spaces shall be filled with the information requested.

# 14 Bid Price for Service Contract

- 14.1 Bid prices are for complete contracts. Contracts cannot be subdivided into pieces unless is divided into lots. Where a bid is submitted per contract / lot, all relevant services must be offered.
- 14.2 Items for which no rate or price is entered by the Bidder will be as not quoted.
- 14.3 Unless otherwise specified in Section 2 the Bid Data Sheet, all duties, taxes and other levies payable by the contractor under the contract, shall be included in the total bid price submitted by the bidder.
- 14.4 For bidder subject to VAT and Taxes, VAT and taxes should be mentioned in the offers
- 14.5 The prices submitted by any Bidder shall be checked for arithmetical errors and for what might be considered unreasonable rates during the evaluation. Where errors are identified one or more of the following steps may be taken:
  - a) If any rates are considered to be unrealistic or unreasonable they may be altered by mutual agreement, provided that no alteration shall be made in the amount of the





Bid.

- b) If any arithmetical errors are detected in an otherwise acceptable bid, and the Bidder, on being so notified, is prepared to confirm his bid and if the Bidder is subsequently awarded the contract, then the Bid shall be altered to reflect the difference.
- c) The Bidder is reminded that it is entirely his responsibility to ensure the accuracy of his bid. No alteration will be made to the bid after its submission on the grounds of any arithmetical errors subsequently discovered except as provided above.

# 15 Currencies of Bid and Payment

All prices/rates shall be quoted by the Bidder in Percentage, unless otherwise stated. Similarly, all payments will be made in CURRENCY agreed between NRC and the Service provider. This Particular Tender as due to it's nature can be in USD, AFN, Euro etc.

## 16 Bid Validity

- 16.1 Bids shall remain valid for a period of One YEAR after the date of the bid submission deadline as prescribed by Norwegian Refugee Council. A bid valid for a shorter period shall be rejected as non-compliant.
- 16.2 In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the bid validity period, the Norwegian Refugee Council may request Bidders in writing to extend the period of validity of their bids. A Bidder must confirm in writing his acceptance of the extension. In case of extension, modification of the bid is not permitted.

## 17 Alternative Bids

Bidders shall submit offers that comply with the requirements of the bidding documents, including the basic technical design as indicated in the drawings and specifications. Alternative bids shall not be considered unless otherwise indicated in Section 2 – the Bid Data Sheet.

#### 18 Format and Signing of Bid

The Bidder shall prepare one set of bid documents per contract that he wishes to bid for. The bidder should hold a copy of the documents with himself, for reference purposes.

# 19 Sealing and Marking of the Bid

19.1 The Bidder shall enclose their bid as per Section 2 Paragraph 4 . Manner of submission.

- 19.2 The envelope(s) shall:
  - (a) be addressed to the Logistics Office, Norwegian Refugee Council, in the location specified in Section 2 – the Bid Data Sheet
  - (b) bear the Contract number
  - (c) no other markings should be on the envelope
- 19.3 If all envelopes are not sealed and marked as required, the Norwegian Refugee Council might decide to reject the bid
- 20 Deadline for Submission of Bids

Bids must be received by the Norwegian Refugee Council at the address given and no later than the date and time indicated in Section 2 - the Bid Data Sheet.

21 Late Bids

The Norwegian Refugee Council shall not consider any bid that arrives after the deadline for submission as stipulated in Section 2 – the Bid Data Sheet. Any bid received by the Norwegian Refugee Council after the deadline for submission of bids shall be declared late and rejected.

# 22 Withdrawal and Replacement of Bids

- 22.1 A Bidder may withdraw or replace its bid after it has been submitted at any time before the deadline for submission of bids by sending a written notice, signed by an authorized representative. Any corresponding replacement of the bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be:
  - (a) submitted as with Clauses 20 and 21, and in addition, the envelopes shall be clearly marked "WITHDRAWAL" or "REPLACEMENT" and
  - (b) received by the Norwegian Refugee Council prior to the deadline for submission of bids, in accordance with Section 2 the Bid Data Sheet
- 22.2 After the opening of bids, modifications to bids must be documented and any discussions reported in writing. A bid may be withdrawn at any stage, with written notice.

# 23 Confidentiality

- 23.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of bids, and recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to bidders or any other persons not officially concerned with such process until information detailing the best evaluated Bidder is communicated to all Bidders.
- 23.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence the Norwegian Refugee Council in the examination, evaluation, comparison, and post-qualification of the bids or contract award decisions may result in the rejection of its bid.
- 23.3 From the time of bid opening to the time of Contract award, if any Bidder wishes to contact the Norwegian Refugee Council on any matter related to the bidding process, it should do so in writing.

# 24 Clarification of Bids

Norwegian Refugee Council may, at its discretion, ask any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid. The Norwegian Refugee Council's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing. Any clarification submitted by a Bidder that is not in response to a request by the Norwegian Refugee Council shall not be considered. All requests for clarifications shall be copied to all bidders for information purposes. No change in the price or substance of the bid shall be permitted, except to confirm the correction of errors.

# 25 Bids Validation

- 25.1 The Norwegian Refugee Council's determination of a Bid's validity is to be based on the contents of the bid itself, which cannot be corrected if determined to be invalid
- 25.2 A valid bid is one that complies with all the terms, conditions, and specifications of the Bidding Document, without deviation or omission, which affects, or could affect;
  - a) the scope, quality, or performance of the services specified in the Contract; or
  - b) limits in any substantial way, the Norwegian Refugee Council's rights or the Bidder's obligations under the Contract

# 26 Evaluation of Bid

- 26.1 The Norwegian Refugee Council shall examine the legal documentation and other information submitted by Bidders to verify eligibility, and then will review and score bids according to the following criteria;
  - a) Completion and inclusion of requested information and supporting documents (Administrative compliance)
  - b) Overall timeframe for the service (Technical evaluation)
  - c) Schedules (Key Personnel and Activity schedule) (Technical evaluation)
  - d) Previous experiences in similar works (Technical evaluation)
  - e) Demonstrated excellence in service, support and warranties (Technical evaluation)
  - f) Adherence to Ethic and anti-corruption NRC policies (Technical evaluation)
  - g) Earlier experiences and documentation proven in the tender documents, related to the service required under this contract (Technical evaluation)
  - h) Price in comparison to NRC estimated rate (Financial evaluation)
  - i) The service provider must either have presence or be able to provide services in the target geographical areas
- 26.2 Anti-money laundering, anti-bribery, anti-corruption and anti-terrorism legislation applicable in some jurisdictions and donor regulations require NRC to screen contractors against various lists including but not limited to the United Nations Security Council Sanctions List and World Bank debarment lists to ensure due diligence. Submission of the bid constitutes acceptance of these screening practices on the part of the bidder.
- 26.3 The Norwegian Refugee Council reserves the right to reject all bids, and re-tender if no satisfactory bids are submitted

# 27 Award Procedure

- 27.1 The Norwegian Refugee Council shall award the Contract in writing, with an award letter, to the Bidder whose offer has been determined to be the best, before the end of the bid validity period
- 27.2 Any bidder who has not been awarded a contract, will be notified in writing
- 27.3 Until a formal contract is prepared and executed, the Award Letter shall constitute a binding agreement between the bidder and NRC.
- 27.4 This will be a Frame Work Agreement (FWA) for a period of ONE year (Extendable) and NRC as and when requires the services the Order will be placed and on the completion of the services the payments will be made by NRC to the Service Provider.
- 27.5 The Bidder is thereafter required to submit a Letter of Acceptance, confirming their wish to proceed with a contract.

# 28 Signing of Contract

- 28.1 Upon receipt of the Letter of Acceptance, the Norwegian Refugee Council shall call the successful Bidder to sign the Contract.
- 28.2 Within an agreed timeframe, the successful Bidder shall sign, date, and return the Contract to the Norwegian Refugee Council.



### SERVICE PROVISION: Technical Description of the Bid

#### Provision of financial services for money transfer to the communities in Afghanistan

#### Background

Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) Afghanistan is looking for Money transfer Service Providers (MSP) operational in Afghanistan in order to carryout program interventions to provide cash transfers through various means across the country. NRC provides cash assistance to the communities, NRC offices within Afghanistan and International Transfers from NRC Offices abroad into NRC offices in the country in multiple currencies. for various services including access to food, construction of shelter, purchase of non-food items, construction of latrines and so on. The assistance is provided at the border points (with Iran and Pakistan) and in the remote villages/ towns across the country. NRC intends to identify different products/services of cash transfer that includes mobile/digital money transfers, cash transfers into the accounts and physical cash transfers. We are interested in exploring the convenient and unique services that MSPs could offer. A framework agreement will be signed with the selected MSP(s) for the period of one year with a possibility of extension of another year on mutual agreement.

#### Aims and Objectives

Building contractual partnership with potential MSPs operating in Afghanistan for smooth transfer of cash assistance to the communities and NRC offices.

#### Services required:

- 1) **Physical cash transfers** to the communities at the boarder points and/or in the remote areas/villages across the country along with NRC offices within the country.
- 2) **Digital cash transfer** (Mobile money transfers) at the boarder points and/or in the remote areas/villages across the country along with NRC offices within the country.
- 3) Cash transfers to the individual/joint **bank accounts of communities** and NRC bank Accounts within the country.

Average 1 to 3 million USD per year are expected to be transferred through above mentioned services. NRC focuses on the displacement affected population including current returnee population from Pakistan and Iran who lack the legal documents. The PSMs who have unique solutions for the displacement affected populations with limited legal documents will be preferred.

#### Responsibilities of NRC Afghanistan

NRC will sign a framework agreement with the selected MSP(s) that includes a timeframe of the
agreement and maximum volume of the money to be transferred as part of the framework agreement
along with the average annual caseload and relevant terms and conditions mutually agreed by both
parties.



- NRC ensures to provide the required data of the recipients of the cash assistance in accordance with the country law and NRC policies related to data protection.
- NRC ensures the arrangements for the cash transfers; this includes arranging venues/distribution
  points and attendance of the cash recipients along with approvals from the local authorities for the
  activity.
- NRC will issue a Purchase Order for each assignment with the MSPs along with the schedule of the services delivery.
- The payments for any services rendered as per the PO will be processed through NRC headquarters based at Oslo, Norway.
- The payments to the services will be made by NRC upon successful completion of the service (i.e. reimbursement).

Responsibilities of Money transfer Service Provider (FSP)

- Upon reception of the PO issued by NRC, the MSP will be responsible for providing the agreed services as per the agreed timeframe.
- MSP will be responsible for any administrative and logistical arrangements required to provide the services to NRC.
- The MSP will be responsible for providing consolidation of the services provided along with agreed reports on the agreed timeframe.
- MSP will complete the assignment and then submit the request for payment (reimbursement)

Minimum qualification and experience of the service provider

- Be registered and have required license/permit to operate in Afghanistan.
- Have proven experience of providing the requested services in the country during past two years.

Information to be included in the proposals/bids

#	Description	Explanation
1	Geographic coverage	NRC intends to receive bids for whole of Afghanistan including border points (With Iran and Pakistan) and rural/ Hard to Reach areas. The bids should include clear information about the geographic coverage.
2	Transfer modalities	<ul> <li>NRC intends to receive bids for various types of transfer modalities:</li> <li>1) International transfers from NRC Head office to NRC accounts within Afghanistan.</li> <li>2) Physical cash transfers to the communities at the boarder points and/or in the remote areas/villages across the country 3) Digital cash transfer (Mobile money transfers) at the boarder points and/or in the remote areas/villages across the country.</li> <li>4) Cash transfers to the individual/joint bank accounts.</li> </ul>

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		The bids should include clear information about what transfer modalities are offered. The clear information should be included if any requested modality is not offered in the bid.					
		If the Bidder applies for multiple offers/products. Pleas indicate each offer/product with complete technics details along with financial proposal.					
3	Fee structure	The bids should include a clear breakdown of fees (e.g. what is fixed, what is percentage-based or tiered etc.)					
4	Technology and innovation	The bids should include what technology will be used for providing the services (e.g. digital platforms, reconciliation and reporting mechanism, format or data and data flows along mentioning on if the technology can work offline/online if relevant).					
5	KYC requirements	The bids should include clear information about KYC requirement for the money transfers along with legal documentation required for KYC including if application for undocumented population in the country.					
6	Data protection and confidentiality protocols	The bids should include clear explanation on what data is required from NRC for providing the services to the end users, and what data protection and confidentiality mechanisms are in place with the bidder.					
7	Timeframe for delivery and liquidity in the field locations	The bids should include clear explanation of the timeframe for executing/completing any cash transfer assignment.					

Bidders can submit an offer for one or several or all lots. Offers must clearly show what lots are included.

Bidders if they have more products/services than what is mentioned in section 8. They can provide more technical proposals and additional financial proposals.

Offers must be submitted for the total quantity of each lot: offers submitted for a partial quantity of one lot will not be taken into consideration by NRC.

Please provide a detailed description of the process, methodology and timeline of for each lot so that it is very clear on what is being proposed from your (bidder's) side.

This will be a Frame Work Agreement (FWA) for a year (extendable) and whenever NRC needs the services, NRC will place an order based on this FWA.

The FWA on it's not an Order for the services.



## **Bidding Form**

### Please provide information against each requirement.

Additional rows can be inserted for all questions as necessary. If there is insufficient space to complete your answer in the space provided, please include on a separate attachment with a reference to the question.

#### 1. Bidder's General Business Details

#### a) General information

Company name:	
Any other trading names of company:	
Registered name of company (if	
different):	
Nature of primary business/trade:	
Primary contact name:	
Job title:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Registered Address:	
Business licence number:	
Country of registration	
Registration date:	
Expiry date:	
Legal status of company (eg.	
partnership, private limited company,	
etc.)	

#### b) Owners/Managers

Please fill in the below table with the full names, title/position, the year of birth, and the country of birth of the company's owner(s) and manager(s)\*:

Full Name	Title / Position	Birth Year	Birth Country

\* Please note this information is necessary in order to conduct the vetting procedure referred to in clause 25 of the Invitation to Bid-General Terms and Conditions. Owners and managers include but are not limited to Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer, Chair of the Board, Executive Director, Director, Manager.



# c) Employees

Please list the employees who would be involved with NRC in the event of contract award:

Employee name	Job title	Role on NRC project	Phone	Email
1.				
2.				
3.				

#### d) Company bank account details:

Beneficiary name:	
Beneficiary account	
no.:	
Beneficiary Bank:	
Bank branch:	
SWIFT:	
IBAN:	
Bank address:	

#### 2. References

Please provide details of at least 3 client references whom NRC may contact, preferably from NGOs and UN agencies, for similar related works:

Client/company name	Contact person	Phone	Email	Contract details (works, location, size, value, etc)
1.				
2.				
3.				

#### 3. Systems

Please provide details of any relevant systems/Technology used by the company that would potentially be used for this contract: (do not mention rented items):

Type of systems/Technology	Quantity
1.	
2.	
3.	
4.	
5.	
6.	

#### 4. Defects Liability/Guarantee Period

Please provide details below of the defect liability and guarantee period you offer on the services included



#### in this contract:

#### 5. Bid Validity

# Please confirm the validity of your bid below (preferred to be Minimum of ONE YEAR):

#### 6. Confirmation of Bidder's Compliance

We, the Bidder, hereby certify that our tender is a genuine offer and intended to be competitive and we confirm we are eligible to participate in public procurement and meet the eligibility criteria specified in the Invitation to Bid. We confirm that the prices quoted are fixed and firm for the duration of the validity period and will not be subject to revision or variation.

We, the Bidder confirm the documents attached to this offer are those validated by us in the Section 2 Paragraph 6 . Bidder's checklist.

We understand that NRC is not bound to accept the lowest, or indeed any bid, received. We agree that NRC may verify the information provided in this form itself or through a third party as it may deem necessary.

# We confirm that NRC may in its consideration of our offer, and subsequently, rely on the statements made herein.

Name of Signatory:	Tel N°:
Title of Signatory:	Name of Company:
Signature & stamp:	Date of Signing:
	Address:



# Service Provision Schedule

Service Schedule:

Attach the Service schedule here:

Schedule to include:

- 1- Detailed list of service components to be completed in reference to Service Description & Pricing Proposal (Section 8)
- 2- Duration of each of the activities and completion date.

Activity	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7	DAY 8	DAY 9	DAY 10
International Transfer (Transfer from NRC Head Office to NRC Afghanistan)										
National Transfer (Within NRC Afghanistan Offices)										
National Transfer (to the Beneficiaries)										



# **Company Profile and Previous Experience**

The Bidder is requested to:

- 1. Submit the Company Profile
- 2. Complete the following **Previous Experience Table** listing the work or contracts undertaken in the past 5 years similar to the services required under this contract
- 3. Submit evidences of previous experience in form of Contracts, Completion Certificates, etc.

#	Name of Project / Type of work	Total value of the performed works ()	Duration of the works contract	Starting date	Ending date	Contracting Authority / Contact person / phone / email
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						



Annex 3-07A Logistics Handbook

**NOTE**: The list shouldn't be limited to this Form in regards to the number of works reported. A comprehensive list of the last 5 years' experience has to be submitted adapting the Form to the necessary rows <please adjust accordingly>. NRC may conduct reference checks for previous contracts completed



## Service Provision Description and Pricing Proposal

Bidders can submit an offer for one or several or all lots. Offers must clearly show what lots are included.

Bidders if they have more products/services than what is mentioned in section 8. They can provide more technical proposals and additional financial proposals.

Offers must be submitted for the total quantity of each lot: offers submitted for a partial quantity of one lot will not be taken into consideration by NRC.

Please provide a detailed description of the process, methodology and timeline of for each lot so that it is very clear on what is being proposed from your (bidder's) side.

This will be a Frame Work Agreement (FWA) for a year (extendable) and whenever NRC needs the services, NRC will place an order based on this FWA.

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# LOT 1

International Transfer (Transfer from NRC Head Office to NRC Afghanistan)

· · · · · ·	•		C Afghanistan
Location	1-500,000	500,001-1,000,000	Above 1 million
NRC office abroad to NRC Afghanistan			
	(subject to applicable	(subject to applicable tax as per lawLocation1-500,000NRC office abroad to NRC Afghanistan1	NRC office abroad to NRC Afghanistan

## LOT 2

National Transfer (Within NRC Afghanistan Offices)

	% of Commission (tax inclusive) for tran applicable tax as			e (subject to
	· ·	1-		
SN	Location (Center of the Province)	500,000	500,001-1,000,000	Above 1 million
1	Badghis			
2	Balkh			
3	Faryab			
4	Herat			
5	Kabul			
6	Kandahar			
7	Khost			
8	Kunar			
9	Kunduz			
10	Nangarhar			
11	Sar-e Pol			
12	Uruzgan			
13	Zabul			
14	Nimroz			



# LOT 3

National Transfer – Physical CASH (to the Beneficiaries/Project Participants)

SN	Location (Districts)	1-500,000	t to applicable tax as per la 500,001-1,000,000	Above 1 million
1	Badakhshan			
2	Badghis			
3	Baghlan			
4	Balkh			
5	Bamyan			
6	Daykundi			
7	Farah			
8	Faryab			
9	Ghazni			
10	Ghor			
11	Helmand			
12	Herat			
13	Jowzjan			
14	Kabul			
15	Kandahar			
16	Kapisa			
17	Khost			
18	Kunar			
19	Kunduz			
20	Laghman			
21	Logar			
22	Nangarhar			
23	Nimruz			
24	Nuristan			
25	Paktia			
26	Paktika			
27	Panjshir			
28	Parwan			
29	Samangan			
30	Sar-e Pol			
31	Takhar			
32	Uruzgan			
33	Wardak			
34	Zabul			



# LOT 4

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National Transfer – Digital CASH Transfer (to the Beneficiaries/Project Participants)

SN	Location (Districts)	1-500,000	500,001-1,000,000	Above 1 million
1	Badakhshan			
2	Badghis			
3	Baghlan			
4	Balkh			
5	Bamyan			
6	Daykundi			
7	Farah			
8	Faryab			
9	Ghazni			
10	Ghor			
11	Helmand			
12	Herat			
13	Jowzjan			
14	Kabul			
15	Kandahar			
16	Kapisa			
17	Khost			
18	Kunar			
19	Kunduz			
20	Laghman			
21	Logar			
22	Nangarhar			
23	Nimruz			
24	Nuristan			
25	Paktia			
26	Paktika			
27	Panjshir			
28	Parwan			
29	Samangan			
30	Sar-e Pol			
31	Takhar			
32	Uruzgan			
33	Wardak			
34	Zabul			



# LOT 5

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National Transfer – to Bank Accounts (to the Beneficiaries/Project Participants)

% of			g of cash to the requested I It to applicable tax as per la	
SN	Location (Districts)	1-500,000	500,001-1,000,000	Above 1 million
1	Badakhshan			
2	Badghis			
3	Baghlan			
4	Balkh			
5	Bamyan			
6	Daykundi			
7	Farah			
8	Faryab			
9	Ghazni			
10	Ghor			
11	Helmand			
12	Herat			
13	Jowzjan			
14	Kabul			
15	Kandahar			
16	Kapisa			
17	Khost			
18	Kunar			
19	Kunduz			
20	Laghman			
21	Logar			
22	Nangarhar			
23	Nimruz			
24	Nuristan			
25	Paktia			
26	Paktika			
27	Panjshir			
28	Parwan			
29	Samangan			
30	Sar-e Pol			
31	Takhar			
32	Uruzgan			
33	Wardak			
34	Zabul			



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Prepared by:	
Name:	
Position:	
Signature:	
Date:	
Stamp:	



# SECTION 9Ethical Standards Declaration for all Service.

We, the undersigned, ('we', 'our' or 'us') CONSIDERING THAT:

- FIRST, we are bidding for, or entering into, a contract with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) to supply goods, services or works to NRC ('the Contract').
- SECOND, we understand that as a humanitarian organisation, NRC expects its suppliers and contractors to have high ethical standards.
- THIRD, we understand that NRC therefore needs us to confirm that we adhere to the required ethical standards ('the ethical standards') by signing this declaration ('the Declaration').

### THEREFORE, we DO HEREBY DECLARE as follows:

1. Declaration concerning compliance with applicable laws and these ethical standards

#### We declare that we shall:

- a. Meet the ethical standards in this declaration ('ethical standards')
- b. Ensure that any party representing us, including but not limited to:
  - board members
  - directors
  - employees
  - contractors or sub-contractors, and their employees
  - consultants and sub-consultants, and their employees;
    - other legal representatives

('our Representatives') are aware of and comply with these ethical standards.

In the event that we, or our Representatives, do not meet the ethical standards at present, we shall:

- a. Explain to NRC in what way we do not currently meet the ethical standards
- b. Agree a plan and timeline with NRC to implement changes that allow us to meet the ethical standards
- c. Provide regular updates to NRC on the implementation plan.

#### 2. Declaration concerning status

We hereby declare that neither we, nor to the best if our knowledge our Representatives, are in any of the following situations:

- 2.1. Have made an offer, payment, consideration or benefit of any kind, which constitutes illegal or corrupt practice, directly or indirectly, as an inducement or reward in relation to the tendering, awarding or execution of the Contract.
- Are involved in any form of fraud, corruption, 2.2. collusion, coercive practice, bribery, involvement in a criminal organisation or other illegal activity
- 2.3. Are insolvent, in receivership, bankrupt, or being wound up
- 2.4. Have suspended activities
- 2.5. Are subject to legal proceedings related to 2.1
- 2.6. Have at any time been found guilty and sentenced by a court, whether in the country of employment or

abroad, for a criminal offence in respect of children or vulnerable adults

- 2.7. Are engaged in:
  - terrorism or the material support of terrorism
  - the sale or manufacture, either directly or indirectly, of anti-personnel mines or any components produced primarily for the operation thereof
  - the sale or manufacture, either directly or indirectly, of weapons
  - the production of alcohol, tobacco, or pornography.
- 3. Declaration concerning Conflicts of Interest

We declare that neither we nor, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives have an undisclosed conflict of interest with NRC.

Where any potential conflict of interest exists between our Representatives and NRC or any NRC staff member, we shall notify NRC in writing of the potential conflict. NRC shall then determine whether action is required.

A conflict of interest can be due to a relationship with an NRC staff member such as family or friends.

We understand that if we fail to report a potential conflict of interest and are later found to have a conflict of interest, we may be removed from the NRC vendor database.

4. Declaration concerning compliance with national law

We declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our **Representatives:** 

- 4.1. comply with all applicable laws and regulations in effect in the country or countries where the Contract will be carried out.
- 4.2. comply with all applicable export laws concerning the country or countries where the Contract will be carried out.
- 4.3. are registered with the relevant government authority with regard to taxation for the duration of the Contract.
- 4.4. pay taxes according to all applicable national laws and regulations for the duration of the Contract.

5. Declaration concerning compliance with labour standards We declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our **Representatives:** 

We declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives comply with applicable national labour law standards and the International Labour Organisation Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work. Specifically, we declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives comply with the following minimum labour standards:

#### 5.1. Working Conditions

- a. All workers receive a contract of employment that is written in a language they understand.
- b. All workers are free to leave after giving reasonable notice.
- c. All workers have the right to join or form trade unions of their own choosing and to bargain collectively.
- d. No worker is required to lodge 'deposits' or identity papers or immigration documents in order to obtain employment.
- 5.2. Wages and benefits
- a. Wages and benefits paid for a standard working week meet, at a minimum, national legal standards or industry benchmark standards, whichever is higher. Wages are always sufficient to meet basic needs.
- b. No deductions from wages are made as a disciplinary measure.
- 5.3. <u>Working time</u>
- a. Working hours comply with national laws and benchmark industry standards, whichever affords greater protection. Whenever possible working hours do not exceed 48 hours per week (8 hours per day).
- b. Workers are provided with at least one day off for every 7day period.
- 5.4. Health and safety
- a. Steps are taken to prevent accidents and injury to health arising out of, associated with, or occurring in, the course of work, by minimizing, so far as is reasonably practicable, the causes of hazards inherent in the working environment.
- b. Workers receive regular and documented health and safety training, and such training is repeated for new workers.
- c. Workers have access to clean toilet facilities and to potable water, and, if appropriate, sanitary facilities for food storage is provided.
- d. Accommodation, where provided, is clean, safe and adequately ventilated.
- 5.5. Discrimination and abuse
- a. No worker is forced, bonded or an involuntary prison worker.
- b. There is no discrimination at the workplace based on ethnic background, religion, age, disability, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, union membership or political affiliation.
- c. Measures are in place to protect workers from sexually intrusive, threatening, insulting or exploitative behaviour, and from discrimination or termination of employment on unjustifiable grounds, e.g. marriage, pregnancy, parenthood or HIV status.
- d. Physical abuse or punishment, or threats of physical abuse, sexual or other harassment and verbal abuse, as well as other forms of intimidation, are prohibited.
- 5.6. <u>Persons under 18</u>

- a. No persons
  - under the age of 18 shall be engaged in work which is hazardous to their health or safety, including night work.
- b. The working hours and nature of work of any worker who is under the age of 18 shall not interfere with their opportunity to complete his or her education.

#### 6. Declaration concerning the environmental standards

We declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives comply with applicable national environmental law standards and with international environmental standards, to the greatest extent possible.

Specifically, we declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives adhere to the following standards:

6.1. We respect national and international environmental legislation and regulation.

- 6.2. We ensure that production and extraction of raw materials for production does not contribute to the destruction of the resources and income base for marginalised populations, such as in claiming large land areas or other natural resources on which these populations are dependent.
- 6.3. We take environmental measures into consideration throughout the production and distribution chain ranging from the production of raw material to the consumer sale. This includes reasonable steps to minimise negative environmental impacts (e.g. emissions, water usage, waste) and to use - where possible - sustainable resources. Local, regional and global environmental aspects shall be considered. The local environment at the production site will not be exploited or degraded by pollution and waste.
- 6.4. We carefully manage hazardous chemicals and other substances in accordance with documented safety procedures.
- 7. Declaration concerning protection from sexual exploitation and abuse

We and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives comply with international standards related to protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) and sexual harassment.

Specifically, we declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives adhere to the following standards:

- 7.1. We take sexual misconduct seriously and ensure that any employee found to have carried out sexual misconduct will be subject to disciplinary action.
- 7.2. We will ensure, that none of our employees engage in any sexual activity with persons (adult or child) in relation with this contract regardless of the age of majority or consent locally.
- 7.3. We will ensure that none of our employees produce, procure, distribute or use sexually explicit material in any activities under the Contract or on any sites used under the Contract.

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- 7.4. We will ensure that none of our employees will exchange money, employment, goods or services for sex, including sexual favours or other forms of humiliating, degrading, or exploitative behaviour. This prohibition extends to any use of sex trade workers. If any sexual misconduct is found to have taken place, such employees face disciplinary action.
- 7.5. We shall report any incident or complaint of sexual misconduct or child abuse related to the activities carried out under the Contract through NRC's PSEA and Safeguarding Unit at psea@nrc.no.
- 7.6. We shall report any known or reported sexual relationship between our employees and NRC staff to NRC.

#### 8. Declaration concerning protection of children

We declare that neither we nor, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives are engaged in any practice inconsistent with the rights set forth in the Convention on the Rights of the Child. We commit to upholding international and national laws and policies regarding child safeguarding.

Specifically, we declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives adhere to the following standards:

- 8.1. We support and protect the complainant, survivors and witnesses of any raised incidents or complaints of sexual misconduct or child abuse.
- 8.2. We will ensure, that our employees will not abuse or exploit children or act in a manner that may place a child at risk of harm.
- 8.3. We will ensure that our employees are not left alone with children.
- 8.4. We will ensure our employees will not ask children for personal contact details without a valid reason to do so.
- 8.5. We listen, to the best of our ability, to children's views and opinions and treat boys and girls in a manner that is respectful of their rights and dignity during the performance of the Contract.
- 8.6. We shall report any suspicion of child safeguarding concerns through the Complaints and Feedback Mechanism, provided by the NRC contract focal point and at <a href="mailto:speakup@nrc.no">speakup@nrc.no</a>.

#### 9. Declaration concerning anti-human trafficking

We declare that neither we nor, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives are engaged in trafficking in persons as defined in the protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons or the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

Specifically, we declare that we and, to the best of our knowledge, our Representatives adhere to the following standards:

- 9.1. We do not solicit persons for the purpose of employment, or offer employment by means of materially false or fraudulent pretences, representations, or promises.
- 9.2. We do not charge employees recruitment fees.

9.3. We do

- not provide or arrange housing for employees that does not meet host country housing and safety standards.
- 9.4. We commit to report any suspected violations of this clause to NRC immediately.
- 9.5. We commit to make our Representatives aware of the trafficking related prohibitions outlined above and share the Global Human Trafficking Hotline Information with them (1-844-888-FREE, <u>help@befree.org</u>).

#### 10. General

- We understand that:
- 10.1. The Declaration will be kept on file for a period of 10 years.
- 10.2. The Declaration will be updated every year or more often as appropriate.
- 10.3. We must inform NRC immediately in the event that there is a change to the Declaration.
- 10.4. NRC may perform checks to verify that the ethical standards are adhered to and shall be granted reasonable access to our premises and to our documentation, computer systems etc, in order to be allowed to do so.
- 10.5. In the event that NRC deem that we fail to meet or are not taking appropriate steps to meet, the ethical standards, NRC may immediately terminate any and all contracts and agreements we have with them and at no cost to NRC.

#### 11. Requirement to notify NRC

- We shall immediately notify NRC through the Complaints and Feedback Mechanism, provided by the NRC contract focal point if:
- 11.1. Any allegations of alleged corruption, sexual exploitation or abuse, or child abuse are made against us or, to the best our knowledge, our Representatives, during the Contract, whether relating to the Contract or not.
- 11.2. Any allegations are made, or any changes occur, in relation to any of the declarations made herein



# Signed on our behalf as follows:

Signature	
Name	
Position	
Date	
Place	