

CONTRACT DATA

**A contract between
SENTECH, Sender Technology Park, Radiokop, Octave Road, Honeydew,
and**

**APPOINTMENT OF A FIRM OF AUDITORS TO PROVIDE EXTERNAL AUDIT AND
ASSURANCE SERVICE FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS TO SENTECH SOC LTD
(Renewable Annually)**

Bid Number: SENT/010/2023-24

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PART C1: AGREEMENTS AND CONTRACT DATA –

Form of Offer and Acceptance Offer

Sentech, identified in the acceptance signature block, has solicited offers to enter into a contract for the **Appointment of a Firm of Auditors to provide External Audit and Assurance Service for the period of three years to SENTECH SOC LTD (renewable annually).**

The Bidder, identified in the offer signature block, has examined the documents listed in the Tender Data and addenda thereto as listed in the Bid schedules, and by submitting this offer has accepted the conditions of the Bid.

By the representative of the Bidder, deemed to be duly authorized, signing this part of this form of offer and acceptance, the Bidder offers to perform all of the obligations and liabilities of the Bidder under the Contract including compliance with all its terms and conditions according to their true intent and meaning for an amount to be determined in accordance with the conditions of contract identified in the Contract Data.

THE OFFERED TOTAL OF THE PRICES INCLUSIVE OF APPLICABLE TAXES; (in the Bids applicable currency).

_____ (amount in words);

_____ (amount in figures)

NB: The Prices quoted above is the total Bid offer inclusive of all applicable taxes for the Contract duration. The price must be carried over from the price breakdown / schedule of rates provided in the Bid document.

This offer may be accepted by Sentech by signing the acceptance part of this form of offer and acceptance and returning one copy of this document to the Bidder before the end of the period of validity stated in the Tender Data, whereupon the Bidder becomes the party named as the Bidder in the conditions of contract identified in the Contract Data.

Bidder's Signature(s) _____

Signed by the Bidder at _____ **on this the** _____ **day of** _____ **20** _____

Name(s) _____

Capacity _____

Address (Domicillium)

Acceptance

By signing this part of this form of offer and acceptance, Sentech accepts the Bidder's offer. In consideration thereof, Sentech shall pay the Bidder the amount due in accordance with the conditions of contract identified in the Contract Data. Acceptance of the Bidder's offer by the signature by Sentech shall form an agreement between Sentech and the Bidder upon the terms and conditions contained in this agreement and in the contract that is the subject of this agreement.

The terms of the contract, are contained in:

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and drawings and documents or parts thereof, which may be incorporated by reference into Parts C1 to C3 above.

Deviations from and amendments to the documents listed in the Tender Data and any addenda thereto as listed in the Bid schedules as well as any changes to the terms of the offer agreed by the Bidder and the employer during this process of offer and acceptance, are contained in the schedule of deviations attached to and forming part of this agreement. No amendments to or deviations from the said documents are valid unless contained in this schedule of deviations.

Failure to fulfil any of these obligations in accordance with those terms shall constitute a repudiation of this agreement.

Sentech's Signature(s) _____

Signed by Sentech at _____ **on this the** _____ **day of** _____ **20** _____

Name(s) _____

Designation _____

SENTECH SOC LIMITED,
Sender Technology Park
Octave Road, Radiokop
Honeydew
Johannesburg

Date _____

Upon acceptance by Sentech of the Bidder's offer, a contract will come into existence.

SCHEDULE OF DEVIATIONS

Notes:

- 1 The extent of deviations from the Bid documents issued by the Sentech before the Bid closing date is limited to those permitted in terms of the conditions of Bid.
- 2 A Bidder's covering letter shall not be included in the final contract document. Should any matter in such letter, which constitutes a deviation as aforesaid, become the subject of agreements reached during the process of offer and acceptance, the outcome of such agreement shall be recorded here.
- 3 Any other matter arises from the process of offer and acceptance either as a confirmation, clarification or change to the Bid documents and which it is agreed by the Parties becomes an obligation of the contract shall also be recorded here.
- 4 Any change or addition to the Bid documents arising from the above agreements and recorded here shall also be incorporated into the Contract.

1. **Subject** _____

Details _____

2. **Subject** _____

Details _____

3. **Subject** _____

Details _____

4. **Subject** _____

Details _____

By the duly authorised representatives signing this schedule of deviations, Sentech and the Bidder agree to and accept the foregoing schedule of deviations as the only deviations from and amendments to the documents listed in the Tender Data and addenda thereto as listed in the Bid schedules, as well as any confirmation, clarification or changes to the terms of the offer agreed by the Bidder and Sentech during this process of offer and acceptance.

It is expressly agreed that no other matter whether in writing, oral communication or implied during the period between the issue of the Bid documents and the receipt by the Bidder of a completed signed copy of this Agreement shall have any meaning or effect in the contract between the parties arising from this agreement.

Contract Data

Part one - Data provided by Sentech given in all contracts.

1. The Purchaser is

SENTECH SOC LIMITED,

Sender Technology Park

Octave Road

Radiokop

Honeydew

Johannesburg

2. General

The National Treasury General Conditions of Contract for goods and services (NT GCC, 2010) or General Conditions of Contract for Works (2015) as issued by National Treasury and the Construction Industry Development Board of the Republic of South Africa apply, respectively.

The goods are specified in the Scope of Work. The Special Conditions of Contract (SCC) are stipulated in the Tender Data.

3. Goods information:

The *Goods Information* is in the document called "Scope of Work" and in the documents and drawings referred to by it.

4. Terms of Delivery

The *Terms of Delivery* are contained in the General Conditions of Contract (GCC) and Special Conditions of Contract.

5. Language

The *language* of this contract is English.

6. Governing Laws and Jurisdiction

The Contract shall be governed by and interpreted according to the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

In the event of a conflict between or inconsistency in the laws applicable in the various provinces of the Republic of South Africa, the law as applied and interpreted in the Gauteng Province shall prevail.

The parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the South Gauteng High Court, Johannesburg in respect of any action or proceeding arising from this Bid.

This Bid and all contracts emanating there from will be subject to the General Conditions of Contract issued in accordance with Treasury Regulation 16A published in terms of the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act 1 of 1999). The Special Conditions of Contract are supplementary to that of the General Conditions of Contract. Where, however, the SCC are in conflict with the GCC, the SCC shall prevail.

7. Sub-contracting post award

A Bidder awarded a Bid may only enter into a subcontracting arrangement with the approval of Sentech. The successful bidder may not subcontract more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level of contributor than the Bidder concerned, unless the contract is subcontracted to an EME that has the capability and ability to execute the subcontract.

8. Transformation Plan

A transformation plan is a record of activities an entity intends to undertake to improve its BBBEE Level through Ownership, Management and Control; Skills Development; Enterprise and Supplier Development and Socio-Economic Development.

Sentech reserves the right to request a BBBEE transformation plan with clearly defined timelines and milestones if the recommended bidder does not meet Sentech's transformation goals. These milestones must be achieved over the term of the contract. This transformation plan shall be submitted within 10 working days from the written request, failing which Sentech reserves the right to withdraw its appointment of the preferred recommended Bidder.

9. Warranty

The warranty period is 12 months after Delivery.

10. Payment

The method and conditions of payment are contained in the Tender Data, GCC and SCC.

The interest on late payment is 0% per complete week of delay.

11. Currency

South African registered businesses that purchase equipment overseas and quote in foreign currency will be required to provide Sentech a 6-month forward cover contract on appointment. The 6 months forward cover will be re-negotiated and renewed every 6 months should the contract term on this tender be longer than 6 months.

12. General - Prices

Unless approval has been obtained from Sentech, no adjustment in contract prices will be made.

Applications for price adjustment must be accompanied by documentary evidence in support of any adjustment.

13. Price Negotiations

Sentech reserves the right to negotiate market related prices. If market-related prices are not agreed to, Sentech reserves the right to cancel the Bid.

14. Liabilities indemnities and insurance

Insurance is required from the Bidder in respect of delivery and transportation where applicable.

15. Disputes

Should any dispute, disagreement or claim arise between the parties ("the dispute") concerning this Agreement, the parties shall try to resolve the dispute by negotiation. This entails one party inviting the other party to meet and attempt to resolve the dispute within fourteen (14) days from the date of the written invitation.

If the dispute has not been resolved by such negotiation as referred to in this clause above, the Parties shall submit the dispute to the Arbitration Foundation of Southern Africa ("AFSA") for administered mediation, upon the terms set out by the AFSA secretariat.

Failing such resolution, the dispute shall be resolved by arbitration in accordance with the rules and procedures of AFSA by an arbitrator appointed by AFSA. Where the arbitration route is followed, the dispute must be adjudicated within Johannesburg in the English language and finally resolved in accordance with the rules of AFSA, by an arbitrator or arbitrators appointed by that Foundation.

The provisions of this clause shall not preclude any party from obtaining relief from a Court of competent jurisdiction. To this extent, the Parties hereby consent to the jurisdiction of the South Gauteng High Court, Johannesburg, South Africa. The provisions of this clause shall continue to be binding on the Parties, notwithstanding any termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

16. Termination

Sentech shall have the right, at its sole and exclusive discretion, upon written notice to the Bidder, to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part should the Bidder fail to perform any of its obligations or deliver any deliverable timeously or should Sentech not be satisfied with the quality of any service/s in terms of this Agreement, to the satisfaction of Sentech.

Sentech shall furthermore have the right, as a result of such termination, to appoint a third party to perform the obligations of the Bidder in terms of the Agreement and the Bidder indemnifies Sentech against all costs incurred by Sentech in appointing such third party to fulfil the obligations of the Bidder.

Sentech shall have the right, at its sole and exclusive discretion, to terminate this Agreement, at any time, upon 30 (thirty) days' written notice to the Bidder.

17. Contract Term

This contract will run for a period of **36 months (3 years - renewable annually)**.

18. Supplier Due Diligence

Sentech reserves the right to conduct supplier due diligence at any time pre, during and post the contract period. This may include announced or unannounced site visits.

19. Cession

Sentech shall be entitled to cede, delegate, assign, charge, transfer or otherwise dispose of this Agreement or any rights or obligations therein in whole or in part, upon prior written notice to the Bidder.

20. Monitoring and Evaluation

The service delivery and performance of the Bidder will be monitored and evaluated by Sentech at all relevant times. In the event that the Bidder defaults in any manner or form, Sentech reserves the right to blacklist the Bidder on the National Treasury Database of Prohibited Suppliers and Tender Defaulters, and to take such further steps as may be warranted in the circumstances which steps shall be determined at Sentech's sole and exclusive discretion.

21. Protection of Personal Information Act No. 4 of 2013 ("POPI")

Sentech is POPI compliant, and the Bidder will ensure that it conducts itself within the prescripts of the prescribed legislation.

Should Sentech need to collect Personal Information by law or in consideration of the Tender, and the Bidder fail to provide the Personal Information when requested, Sentech may refuse to accept the relevant services from the Bidder, and the Bidder will be notified in this event.

By agreeing to the terms of this Agreement, the Bidder voluntarily authorizes Sentech to process its' personal information (including its' name, credit card & banking details, physical address, telephone numbers, reference letters & any other information it has provided to Sentech) for purposes of Tendering and contracting.

The Bidder consents to the transfer of such personal information to third parties.

This consent is effective immediately and will endure until the relationship between the Bidder and Sentech has been terminated.

The Bidder indemnifies and holds Sentech harmless against any loss, whether direct or indirect, arising out of the failure to process any of its' personal data in accordance with applicable laws.

22. Delay damages

As stipulated in the Special Conditions of Contract.

Sentech's Representative is:

Name: Mr. Zunaid Adams

Address: **SENTECH SOC LIMITED,**

Sender Technology Park
Octave Road,
Radiokop, Honeydew
Johannesburg

Tel No. 0114714400

Sentech's Representative is the Executive: Legal and Regulatory.

Contract Data**Part two - Data provided by the Bidder****Statements given in all contracts****The Bidder is:**

Name _____ Address _____

a company / close corporation / partnership duly incorporated in accordance with the laws of the Republic of South Africa.

PART C2: PRICING DATA

Price List

Financial evaluation criteria				
	Unit measure	Quantity	Rate	Total Fee (Including all taxes applicable)
All sections statutory audit				
Partner	Hours			
Manager	Hours			
3rd Year Trainees	Hours			
2nd Year Trainees	Hours			
1st Year Trainees	Hours			
Non-audit Services				
National Treasury AFS Template	Lump sum			

Note: no variation, to the accepted quote, will be allowed unless the service provider has obtained written approval from SENTECH.

The table below requires indicative quotation of the fees for the remainder of the contract period; however, these prices will not be used for evaluation purposes.

Indicative Price

Year	Unit measure	Quantity	Total Fee (All inclusive)
Year 2 (2024/2025 FY)			
Year 3 (2025/2026 FY)			

PART C3: SCOPE OF WORK SENTECH'S GOODS INFORMATION

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1. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

1.1. Glossary of Terms

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2. INTRODUCTION

SENTECH is a company that thrives on governance and compliance whilst delivery on its mandate and pre-determined priorities.

In keeping with its requirements as company as State Owned Company under the following legislative framework, SENTECH would want to appoint an external auditor.

- The SENTECH Act, Act No. 63 of 1996 as amended;
- International Financial Reporting Standards;
- Companies Act, No 71 of 2008 (Companies Act) as amended;
- King Report on Corporate Governance (King III);
- National Treasury Framework for Managing Programme Performance Information;
- Public Finance Management Act, Act No. 1 of 1999;
- Treasury Regulations 2005(Issued by National Treasury) and
- Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Code.

TERMS OF THE AUDIT APPOINTMENT

SENTECH requires the services of a Firm of Auditors to perform external audit and assurance for a period of three (3) years beginning 2023/24 financial year and that is subject to annual renewal. The appointment and subsequent renewal (done at the end of each audit) of the contract for firm of auditors is subject to the Auditor General's approval.

The following conditions should be noted by auditors.

- i) The renewal of the appointment of the firm of auditors is subject to the AGSA's annual approval.
- ii) The auditor shall not and has no right to assign the audit contract to third parties
- iii) The auditor shall not be engaged by the SENTECH SOC LTD to undertake any non-audit services with SENTECH SOC LTD that will result in the impairment of their independence such services would require the auditor to:
 - a. Make decisions that is generally meant for management,
 - b. Act in a capacity as an employee of the company, and
 - c. Be an advocate of SENTECH.

Auditors Independence

The auditor is required to certify that they are independent of SENTECH SOC LTD and nothing transpired that will compromise their independence during the conduct of the audit.

3. SCOPE OF THE AUDIT

The external auditors will be required to perform audit functions in terms of;

- a) Public Audit Act, 2004 (Act no. 25 of 2004) and the General Notice (Annual AGSA directive)
- b) Conducting audits in accordance with auditing standards as published by the professional standards and best practice guidelines for public sector auditors
- c) Evaluating compliance with applicable legislation relating to financial matters, financial management and other related matters audit of performance against predetermined objectives
- d) Other legislative functions

The external auditor will also be required to;

- 1. Carry out such work as is necessary to form an opinion as to whether;
 - a. The accounts are properly kept and;
 - b. The annual financial statements
 - (i) Are prepared in accordance with the financial records and
 - (ii) Represent fairly in all material respects, the financial position of SENTECH and its subsidiaries as the 31 March and its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards and the PFMA
- 2. Review National Treasury Annual Financial Statements Template as part of the Annual Financial Reporting Requirements
- 3. Review SENTECH's performance against the predetermined objectives for the financial years
- 4. Determine the scope, methodology and approach as per the AGSA guidelines and legislative requirements (Public Audit Act (Act no 25 of 2004))
- 5. Communicate audit findings and make recommendations to management.
- 6. Provide a final report with management responses on corrective actions and the presentation thereof to the Audit and Risk Committee.