

RESERVE BANK OF MALAWI

INVITATION TO BID (ITB)

SUPPLY, CONFIGURATION AND INSTALLATION OF NETWORK EQUIPMENT WORK AREA RECOVERY SITE.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING

Date of issue: 24 April 2025

Procurement Reference number: RBM/ ICT/08/2025

1. The Reserve Bank of Malawi (the Bank) has budgeted resources in the 2025 Financial Year towards the purchase of Network Equipment for Work Area Recovery Site and now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders as follows:

Lot No.	Description of Goods	Delivery Period
Lot 1	Two (2) Routers	4-6 weeks
Lot 2	Two (2) Checkpoint Firewall – Chek-point Quantum Force 9700 Security Gateway Firewalls	4-6 weeks
Lot 3	Two (2) Cisco Fire-Power Firewall	4-6 weeks
Lot 4	One (1) Net Botz Rack Monitor 750 for the Datacenter	4-6 weeks
Lot 5	One (1) Rack	4-6 weeks
Lot 6	One (1) KVM switch which supports both KVM and console access (serial CLI), allows remote management via ssh, and KVM-over-IP	4-6weeks

2. Bidding will be conducted through International Competitive Bidding (ICB) procedures specified in accordance with the open tender bidding procedures

contained in the Government of Malawi's Public Procurement and Disposal of Assets Act 2024 and is open to all interested bidders. *A margin of preference of 20% shall be applied to Indigenous Black Malawians*.

- 3. Eligible interested bidders may obtain further information and inspect the Bidding Documents from the Procurement Section at the address shown in 6(a) below from **08:00** to **11:30 and 14:00** to **16:00** hours from **Monday** to **Friday**, except public holidays.
- 4. A complete set of Bidding Documents in English may be obtained for free from the address shown in 6(a) below between **8:00 am** to **11:00 am** from Monday to Friday except on public holidays.
- 5. Bids clearly marked; "*Tenders for Supply, Configuration & Installation of Network Equipment for Work Area Recovery Site*" should be delivered to the address shown in 6(b) below on or before 27 May 2025 at 10:00 Hours. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who may choose to attend at the address shown in 6(c) below on 27 May 2025 at 10:00 Hours.
- 6 (a) Address for inspection, clarification, payment, and collection:

The Reserve Bank of Malawi Convention Drive, Business Reception, Lilongwe

(b) Address for submission:

The Chairperson, RBM Internal Procurement Committee, P.O Box 30063, Lilongwe, Malawi. Should be deposited in a Tender Box marked; "Tenders for Supply, Configuration & Installation of Network Equipment for Work Area Recovery Site" placed at the Bank's business reception at the Head Office.

(c) Address for Opening:

Reserve Bank of Malawi, Convention Drive, Floor 5, Auditorium, Lilongwe, <u>Malawi.</u>

Chairperson <u>RBM Internal Procurement and Disposal Committee</u>