

Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences & Technology, Haripur

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR

"Supply, Installation & Commissioning of GPU Cluster and High-Performance Workstations for various Labs of Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence"

Submission of Bids: Tuesday the May 05, 2020 @ 11:00 am Opening of Bids: Tuesday the May 05, 2020 @ 11:30 am

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Section 1. Letter of Invitation

Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences and Technology (A Public Sector Degree Awarding Chartered Institute) is a unique educational institution in Pakistan which is in collaboration with several institutions in Austria and China. The Institute has been awarded with a Project "Establishment of Sino Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence" funded by Ministry of Information Technology & Telecommunication through Public Sector Development Project (PSDP) of Federal Government.

Sealed bids are invited from interested reputed firms/ companies for the **"Supply, Installation & Commissioning of GPU Cluster and High Performance Workstations for Research Laboratories of Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence"**. The bidder must be registered with SECP/ Registrar and duly recognized in Pakistan, and be registered with FBR for Tax purposes; possess Manufacturer's status or Distributor/ Dealer status with authorization from Manufacturer/ Principal specific for this tender, with sufficient financial, technical and human resources to take up the task assigned and complete the same within prescribed time limit on the finalization of contract with PAF-IAST.

Tender document containing instructions to bidders covering definitions, introduction/ background of the Project, scope of work, general terms and conditions, and special terms, procedure for submission of bids, opening of bid, evaluation criteria, technical specifications, and other related information, can be obtained against a written request on company's letterhead, from Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences & Technology, Haripur – Pakistan. Cost of the document is Rs. 1000/- Non-refundable (Stationery charges) in the form of Pay Order/ Bank Draft in favor of Project Director, SPCAI, PAF-IAST, Haripur. Tender document can also be downloaded from http://www.paf-iast.edu.pk/. However, interested bidders will be required to have registered copy purchased from PAF-IAST or submit Pay Order/ Bank Draft along with the Bid, in order to participate in tender process.

Bidder(s) interested in participating in the tender process are advised to submit their Bid Proposal(s), along with the Earnest Money amounting 2% of their Bid Value in the shape of CDR, in accordance with the instructions in the tender document. Bid Proposal(s) must reach PAF-IAST, Haripur by **Tuesday the May 05, 2020 by 1200 hrs**. Any late Bid(s) shall not be accepted and returned unopened. Accepted Bids will be opened on the same day at 1230 hrs, in presence of bidders who chose to attend. In case of sudden holiday on bid opening day, bids will be opened on next working day. The Tender shall be executed in accordance with PPRA Rule 36(b) "Single Stage, Two Envelope Procedure".

This advertisement is also available on PAF: IAST and PPRA websites http://www.paf-iast.edu.pk/ & http://www.ppra.org.pk.

Project Director

Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences & Technology (PAF-IAST) Haripur – Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Section 2. Instruction to Bidders (ITB)

A. GENERAL TERMS			
1. Introduction	1.1	Bidders shall adhere to all the requirements of this ITB, including any amendments made in writing by PAF-IAST. This ITB will be governed under Clause 36 (b) "Single Stage, Two Envelope Procedure" of Public Procurement Rules, 2044, as amended from time to time and instructions of the Federal Government received during the completion of the project.	
	1.2	Any Bid submitted will be regarded as an offer by the Bidder and does not constitute or imply the acceptance of the Bid by PAF-IAST. The Institute is under no obligation to award a contract to any Bidder as a result of this ITB.	
	1.3	PAF-IAST reserves the right to cancel the procurement process at any stage without any liability of any kind for PAF-IAST, upon notice to the bidders or publication of cancellation notice on PAF- IAST website.	
2. Fraud & Corruption, Gifts and Hospitality	2.1	PAF-IAST strictly enforces a policy of zero tolerance on proscribed practices, including fraud, corruption, collusion, unethical or unprofessional practices, and obstruction of PAF-IAST vendors and requires all bidders/ vendors observe the highest standard of ethics during the procurement process and contract implementation.	
	2.2	Bidders/ vendors shall not offer gifts or hospitality of any kind to PAF-IAST staff members including recreational trips to sporting or cultural events, theme parks or offers of holidays, transportation, or invitations to extravagant lunches or dinners.	
	2.3	In pursuance of this policy, PAF-IAST:	
	(a)) Shall reject a bid if it determines that the bidder is or has been engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for the tender in question;	
	(b) Shall declare a bidder ineligible, either indefinitely or for a stated period, to be awarded a contract if at any time it determines that the bidder is or has been engaged in any corrupt or fraudulent practices in competing for, or in executing any contract; or counseling or canvassing staff or elected representatives; or engaging in collusion with other bidders.	
3. Eligibility	3.1	A Bidder should not be suspended, debarred, or otherwise identified as ineligible by any Government/ Semi-government/ or any other international Organization. Bidders are therefore required to disclose to PAF-IAST whether they are subject to any sanction or temporary suspension imposed by these organizations.	
	3.2	It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that its employees, sub-contractors, service providers, suppliers and/ or their employees meet the eligibility requirements as established by PAF-IAST.	
4. General Terms	4.1	The Bidder should be registered with Sales Tax and Income Tax Department.	
	4.2	The Bidder should have not been blacklisted by any Government/ semi Government organization.	
	4.3	There should be no litigation against the bidder/ firm.	

B. PREPARATION OF BIDS				
5. General Considerations	5.1 In preparing the Bid, the Bidder is expected to examine the ITB in detail. Material deficiencies in providing the information requested in the ITB may result in rejection of the Bid.			
	5.2 The Bidder will not be permitted to take advantage of any errors or omissions in the ITB. Should such errors or omissions be discovered, the Bidder must notify the Project Director, SPCAI, PAF-IAST accordingly.			
6. Cost of Preparation of Bid	6.1 The Bidder shall bear all costs related to the preparation and/ or submission of the Bid, regardless of whether its Bid is selected or not. PAF-IAST shall not be responsible or liable for those costs, regardless of the conduct or outcome of the procurement process.			
7. Language	7.1 The Bid, as well as any, and all related correspondence exchanged by the Bidder and PAF- IAST, shall be written in the language(s) specified in the BDS.			
8. Documents Comprising the Bid	 8.1 The Bid shall comprise of the following documents and related forms of which details are provided in the BDS. All pages of the Bid shall be signed, stamped and properly paginated. a) Returnable Forms as referred in Section 6 shall be properly filled in Ink or Typed. Forms filled in using a pencil shall not be considered and substantiate the annulment of the Bid Proposal. b) Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications of the Bidder; 			
	 c) Bid covering Technical Specifications in detail, and covering Price Schedule; d) Bid Security, if required by BDS; e) Any attachments and/ or appendices to the Bid. 			
9. Documents Establishing the Eligibility and Qualifications	9.1 The Bidder shall furnish documentary evidence of its status as an eligible and qualified supplier, using the Forms provided under Section 6 and providing documents required in those forms. In order to award a contract to a Bidder, its qualifications must be documented to PAF-IAST's satisfaction.			
10. Technical Bid Format and Content	10.1 The Bidder is required to submit a Bid using the Standard Forms and templates provided in Section 6 of the ITB.			
	10.2 Samples of items, when required as per Section 5, shall be provided within the time specified and unless otherwise specified by the Purchaser, at no expense to the Institute. If not destroyed by testing, samples will be returned at Bidder's request and expense, unless otherwise specified.			
	10.3 When applicable and required in Section 5, the Bidder shall describe the necessary training program available for the maintenance and operation of the equipment offered as well as the cost to the Institute. Unless otherwise specified, such training as well as training materials shall be provided in the language of the Bid as specified in the BDS.			
	10.4 When applicable and required in Section 5, the Bidder shall certify the availability of spare parts for a period of at least five (5) years from date of delivery, or as otherwise specified in this ITB.			
11. Price Schedule	11.1 The Price Schedule shall be prepared using the Forms provided in Section 6 of the ITB and taking into consideration the requirements in the ITB.			
	11.2 Any requirement described in this ITB but not priced in the Price Schedule, shall be assumed to have been included in the prices of other activities or items, as well as in the final total price.			

12. Bid Security	12.1 A Bid Security shall be provided in the amount and form indicated in the BDS The Bid Security shall be valid for the duration as referred in BDS.
	12.2 The Bid Security shall be included along with the Bid. If Bid Security not found in the Bid, the Bid shall be rejected.
	12.3 If the Bid Security amount or its validity period is found to be less than what i required, PAF-IAST shall reject the Bid.
	12.4 In the event an electronic submission is allowed in the BDS, Bidders shall include a copy of the Bid Security in their bid and the original of the Bid Security mus be sent via courier or hand delivery as per the instructions in BDS.
	12.5 The Bid Security will be forfeited by PAF-IAST, and the Bid rejected, in the even of any, or combination, of the following conditions:
	 a) If the Bidder withdraws its offer during the period of the Bid Validity specified in the BDS, or;
	b) In the event the successful Bidder fails:
	i. to sign the Contract after PAF-IAST has issued an award; or
	ii. to furnish the Performance Security, insurances, or other documents tha PAF-IAST may require as a condition precedent to the effectivity of the contract that may be awarded to the Bidder.
13. Currencies	13.1 All prices shall be quoted in the currency indicated in the BDS. Where prices are quoted in different currencies, for the purposes of comparison:
	 PAF-IAST will convert the currency quoted into the currency indicated in BDS, in accordance with the prevailing Inter Bank rate of exchange on the last day of submission of Bids; and
	b) In the event that PAF-IAST selects a Bid for award that is quoted in a currency different from the preferred currency in the BDS, PAF-IAST shall reserve the right to award the contract in the currency of PAF-IAST's preference, using the conversion method specified above.
14. Joint Venture, Consortium or Association	14.1 If the Bidder is a group of legal entities that will form or have formed a Join Venture (JV), Consortium or Association for the Bid, they shall confirm in thei Bid that : (i) they have designated one party to act as a lead entity, duly vested with authority to legally bind the members of the JV, Consortium or Association jointly and severally, which shall be evidenced by an intent letter or ar Agreement among the legal entities duly notarized, and submitted with the Bid and (ii) if they are awarded the contract, the contract shall be entered into, by and between PAF-IAST and the designated lead entity, who shall be acting for and on behalf of all the member entities comprising the joint venture.
	14.2 After the Deadline for Submission of Bid, the lead entity identified to represent the JV, Consortium or Association Or any change in the constitution of the JV Consortium or Association shall not be altered without the prior written consent of PAF-IAST/ Procurement Committee.
	14.3 The lead entity and the member entities of the JV, Consortium or Association shall abide by the provisions of Clause 15 herein in respect of submitting only one Bid.
	14.4 The description of the organization of the JV, Consortium or Association must clearly define the expected role of each of the entities in the joint venture in delivering the requirements of the ITB, both in the Bid and the JV, Consortiun or Association Agreement or Intent Letter. If allowed in this Tender document

		RFP, all entities that comprise the JV, Consortium or Association shall be cumulatively subject to the eligibility and technical qualification assessment by PAF-IAST as defined in Section 4: Evaluation Criteria.
	14.5	A JV, Consortium or Association in presenting its track record and experience should clearly differentiate between:
		a) Those that were undertaken together by the JV, Consortium or Association; and
		b) Those that were undertaken by the individual entities of the JV, Consortium or Association.
	14.6	Previous contracts completed by individual experts working privately but who are permanently or were temporarily associated with any of the member firms cannot be claimed as the experience of the JV, Consortium or Association or those of its members, but should only be claimed by the individual experts themselves in their presentation of their individual credentials.
15. Only One Bid	15.1	The Bidder (including the individual members of any Joint Venture) shall submit only one Bid, either in its own name or as part of a Joint Venture.
	15.2	Bids submitted by two (2) or more Bidders shall all be rejected if they are found to have any of the following:
		a) they have at least one controlling partner, director or shareholder in common; or
		b) any one of them receive or have received any direct or indirect subsidy from the other/s; or
		c) they have the same legal representative for purposes of this ITB; or
		d) they are subcontractors to each other's Bid, or a subcontractor to one Bid also submits another Bid under its name as lead Bidder; or some key personnel proposed to be in the team of one Bidder participates in more than one Bid received for this ITB process. This condition relating to the personnel, does not apply to subcontractors being included in more than one Bid.
16. Bid Validity Period	16.1	Bids shall remain valid for the period specified in the BDS, commencing on the Deadline for Submission of Bids. A Bid valid for a shorter period may be rejected by PAF-IAST and rendered non-responsive.
	16.2	During the Bid validity period, the Bidder shall maintain its original Bid without any change, including the availability of the Key Personnel.
17. Extension of Bid Validity Period	17.1	In exceptional circumstances, prior to the expiration of the Bid validity period, PAF-IAST may request Bidders to extend the period of validity of their Bids. The request and the responses shall be made in writing and shall be considered integral to the Bid.
	17.2	If the Bidder agrees to extend the validity of its Bid, it shall be done without any change to the original Bid.
	17.3	The Bidder has the right to refuse to extend the validity of its Bid, in which case,

18. Clarification on ITB (from the Bidders)	date ir the m channe	s may request clarifications on any of the ITB documents no later than the ndicated in the BDS. Any request for clarification must be sent in writing in anner indicated in the BDS. If inquiries are sent other than specified el, even if they are sent to a PAF-IAST staff member, PAF-IAST shall have igation to respond or confirm that the query was officially received.
		ST will provide the responses to clarifications through the method ed in the BDS.
	manne of PAF	ST shall endeavor to provide responses to clarifications in an expeditious er, but any delay in such response shall not cause an obligation on the part I-IAST to extend the submission date of the Bids, unless PAF-IAST deems uch an extension is justified and necessary.
19. Amendment in ITB	such a form c	time prior to the deadline of Bid submission, PAF-IAST may for any reason, s in response to a clarification requested by a Bidder, modify the ITB in the of an amendment to the ITB. Amendments will be made available to all active bidders.
	submi	amendment is substantial, PAF-IAST may extend the Deadline for ssion of Bid to give the Bidders reasonable time to incorporate the Iment into their Bids.
20. Alternative Bids	submis alterna require ```are c	otherwise specified in the BDS, alternative Bids shall not be considered. If ssion of alternative Bid is allowed by BDS, a Bidder may submit an ative Bid, but only if it also submits a Bid conforming to the ITB ements. Where the conditions for its acceptance are met, or justifications clearly established, PAF-IAST reserves the right to award a contract based alternative Bid.
		iple/ alternative bids are being submitted, they must be clearly marked in Bid" and "Alternative Bid"
21. Pre-Bid Conference	locatic Nonat Bidder procur statem the IT	appropriate, a pre-bid conference may be conducted at the date, time and on specified in the BDS. All Bidders are encouraged to attend. tendance, however, shall not result in disqualification of an interested . Minutes of the Bidder's conference will be disseminated on the rement website and/ or shared by email as specified in the BDS. No verbal tent made during the conference shall modify the terms and conditions of 'B, unless specifically incorporated in the Minutes of the Bidder's rence or issued/ posted as an amendment to ITB.
C. SUBMISSION AN	D OPENING	G OF BIDS
22. Bid Proposal Submission	Bid in	dder shall submit a duly signed and numbered all pages of the complete an Envelope sealed and marked as per ITB 22.6, and in accordance with Rule 36 (b) .
	which with r Where	uter Envelope should contain Two (02) separate sealed envelopes, one of comprising the Forms (A – F) and supporting documents in accordance equirements in the BDS, shall be marked as "Technical Proposal" . as, the other envelope containing the Form G: Price Schedule Form shall rked as "Financial Proposal" .
	but in	d Security as referred in BDS must be placed in the "Technical Proposal" a duly sealed envelope and marked as "Bid Security" . Bid security envelop opened with financial proposal of Technically qualified bidders.
	22.4 Bid ca	n be delivered by courier/ hand delivered as specified in the BDS.

	22.5	The Bid shall be signed by the Bidder or person(s) duly authorized to commit the Bidder. The authorization shall be communicated through a document evidencing such authorization issued by the legal representative of the bidding entity, or a Power of Attorney, accompanying the Bid. There should not be errors and/ or over-writings. Corrections (if any) should be made clearly and initialed with dates.
	22.6	Bidders must be aware that the mere act of submission of a Bid, in and of itself, implies that the Bidder fully accepts the General Contract Terms and Conditions.
	22.7	Hard copy submission by courier allowed or as specified in the BDS shall be governed as follows:
		a) The signed Bid shall be marked "Original", and its copies marked "Copy" as appropriate. The number of copies is indicated in the BDS. All copies shall be made from the signed original only. If there are discrepancies between the original and the copies, the original shall prevail.
		(b) The Bid Proposals must be sealed and submitted in an envelope, which shall:
		 i. Bear the name of the Bidder; ii. Be addressed to PAF - IAST as specified in the BDS; and iii. Bear a warning not to open before the time and date for Bid opening as specified in the BDS. If the envelope with the Bid is not sealed and marked as required, PAF-IAST shall assume no responsibility for the misplacement, loss, or premature opening of the Bid.
23. Deadline for Submission of Bids and Late Bids	23.1	Complete Bids must be received by PAF-IAST in the manner, and no later than the date and time, specified in the BDS. PAF-IAST shall only recognize the actual date and time that the bid was received by PAF-IAST.
	23.2	PAF-IAST shall not consider any Bid that is received after the deadline for the submission of Bids.
24. Withdrawal, Substitution, and	24.1	A Bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Bid after it has been submitted at any time prior to the deadline for submission.
Modification of Bids	24.2	A bidder may withdraw, substitute or modify its Bid by sending a written notice to PAF- IAST, duly signed by an authorized representative, including a Power of Attorney. The corresponding substitution or modification of the Bid must accompany the respective written notice. All notices must be submitted in the same manner as specified for submission of Bids, by clearly marking them as "WITHDRAWAL" "SUBSTITUTION," or "MODIFICATION"
	24.3	Bids requested to be withdrawn shall be returned unopened to the Bidders, except if the bid is withdrawn after the bid has been opened.
25. Bid Opening	25.1	The Procurement Committee of PAF- IAST will open the Bid in the presence of Bidders' representative(s) who choose to attend.
	25.2	The Bidders' names, modifications, withdrawals, the condition of the envelope labels/ seals, the number of folders/ files and all other such other details as PAF- IAST may consider appropriate, will be announced at the opening. No Bid shall be rejected at the opening stage, except for late submissions, in which case, the Bid shall be returned unopened to the Bidders.
	25.3	In case of public holiday on bid opening day, bids will be opened on next working day.

D. EVALUATION O	F BIDS	
26. Confidentiality	26.1 Information relating to the examination, evaluation, and comparison of Bids, and the recommendation of contract award, shall not be disclosed to Bidders, even after publication of the contract award.	
	26.2 Any effort by a Bidder to influence PAF-IAST in the examination, evaluation and comparison of the Bids or contract award decisions may, at PAF-IAST's decision, result in the rejection of its Bid and may subsequently be subject to consequences.	
27. Preliminary Examination	27.1 PAF-IAST shall examine the Bids to determine whether they are complete with respect to minimum documentary requirements, whether the documents have been properly signed, and whether the Bids are generally in order, among other indicators that may be used at this stage. PAF-IAST reserves the right to reject any Bid at this stage.	
28. Evaluation of Eligibility and Technical	28.1 Eligibility and Technical Qualification of the Bidder will be evaluated against the Minimum Eligibility/ Qualification requirements specified in the Section 4: Evaluation Criteria.	
Qualification	 28.2 In general terms, Bidders that meet the following criteria may be considered qualified: a) They are not included in the list of blacklisted or barred companies published on PPRA website, federal or any provincial government department; b) They have a good financial standing and have access to adequate financial resources to perform the contract and all existing commercial commitments, c) They have the necessary experience, technical expertise, production capacity, quality certifications, quality assurance procedures and other resources applicable to the supply of goods and/ or services required; d) They are capable to comply fully with the General Terms and Conditions of Contract; e) They do not have a consistent history of court/ arbitral award decisions against the Bidder; and f) They have a record of timely and satisfactory performance with their clients. 	
29. Evaluation of Bid Proposals	29.1 The evaluation team shall review and evaluate the Bids on the basis of their responsiveness to the schedule of requirements and Technical Specifications and other documentation provided, applying the procedure indicated in the BDS and other ITB documents. When necessary, and if stated in the BDS, PAF- IAST may invite technically responsive bidders for a presentation related to their Bids. The conditions for the presentation shall be provided in the bid document where required.	
30. Due diligence	30.1 PAF- IAST reserves the right to undertake a due diligence exercise, aimed at determining to its satisfaction, the validity of the information provided by the Bidder. Such exercise shall be fully documented and may include, but need not be limited to, all or any combination of the following:	
	a) Verification of accuracy, correctness and authenticity of information provided by the Bidder;	
	b) Validation of extent of compliance to the ITB requirements and evaluation criteria based on what has so far been found by the evaluation team;	
	 Inquiry and reference checking with Government entities with jurisdiction on the Bidder, or with previous clients, or any other entity that may have done business with the Bidder; 	

		 Inquiry and reference checking with previous clients on the performance on on-going or completed contracts, including physical inspections of previous works, as deemed necessary;
		 Physical inspection of the Bidder's offices, branches or other places where business transpires, with or without notice to the Bidder;
		f) Other means that PAF-IAST may deem appropriate, at any stage within the selection process, prior to declaring the Bidder as Qualified.
31. Clarification of Bids		To assist in the examination, evaluation and comparison of Bids, PAF- IAST may, at its discretion, request any Bidder for a clarification of its Bid.
		PAF- IAST's request for clarification and the response shall be in writing and no change in the prices or substance of the Bid shall be sought, offered, or permitted, except to provide clarification, and confirm the correction of any arithmetic errors discovered by PAF-IAST in the evaluation of the Bids in accordance with the ITB.
		Any unsolicited clarification submitted by a Bidder in respect to its Bid, which is not a response to a request by PAF-IAST, may not be considered during the review and evaluation of the Bids.
32. Responsiveness of Bid		PAF-IAST's determination of a Bid's responsiveness will be based on the contents of the bid itself. A substantially responsive Bid is one that conforms to all the terms, conditions, specifications and other requirements of the ITB without material deviation, reservation, or omission.
		If a bid is not substantially responsive, it may be rejected by PAF-IAST and may not subsequently be made responsive by the Bidder by correction of the material deviation, reservation, or omission.
33. Right to Accept, Reject, Any or All Bids		PAF-IAST reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal in response to the ITB, to render any or all of the proposals as non-responsive, and to reject all Proposals in response to the ITB at any time prior to award of contract, while assigning the reason(s) thereof.
	33.2	PAF- IAST shall not be obliged to award the contract to the lowest priced offer.
34. Nonconformities, Reparable Errors and Omissions		Provided that a Bid is substantially responsive, PAF-IAST may waive any nonconformities or omissions in the Bid that, in the opinion of PAF-IAST, do not constitute a material deviation.
		PAF-IAST may request the Bidder to submit the necessary information or documentation, within a reasonable period, to rectify nonmaterial nonconformities or omissions in the Bid related to documentation requirements. Such omission shall not be related to any aspect of the price. Failure of the Bidder to comply with the request may result in the rejection of its Bid.
		For the Price Schedule that are submitted, PAF-IAST shall check and correct arithmetical errors as follows:
		a) if there is a discrepancy between the unit price and the line item total that is obtained by multiplying the unit price by the quantity, the unit price shall prevail and the line item total shall be corrected, unless in the opinion of PAF-IAST there is an obvious misplacement of the decimal point in the unit price; in which case, the line item total as quoted shall govern and the unit price shall be corrected;
		b) if there is an error in a total corresponding to the addition or subtraction of subtotals, the subtotals shall prevail and the total shall be corrected; and

	c) if there is a discrepancy between words and figures, the amount in words shall prevail, unless the amount expressed in words is related to an arithmetic error, in which case the amount in figures shall prevail.
	34.4 If the Bidder does not accept the correction of errors made by PAF- IAST, its Bid shall be rejected.
35. Bidder Grievance	35.1 PAF- IAST's grievance readdress procedure provides an opportunity for appeal to those bidders or firms not awarded a contract through a competitive procurement process. In the event that a Bidder believes that it was not treated fairly, the Bidder may lodge a complaint to the PAF-IAST's Grievance Readdress Committee.
E. AWARD OF CO	NTRACT
36. Evaluation	36.1 PAF-IAST will conduct the evaluation solely on the basis of response to this tender received from the firms.
	36.2 Evaluation shall be undertaken in the following steps:
	 a) Preliminary Examination including Technical Specifications and other compliances b) Arithmetical check and ranking of bidders who passed preliminary examination by price. c) Evaluation of prices 36.3 Price comparison shall be based on the landed price, including transportation,
	installation, commissioning, training, special packaging, etc., where applicable)
37. Integrity Pact	37.1 Bidders will also be required to submit a signed Integrity Pact on a stamp paper of appropriate value as part of their response. The text of Integrity Pact is available at Annex – I.
38. Award Criteria	38.1 Prior to expiration of the period of Proposal validity, PAF-IAST shall award the contract to the Bidder that is found to be responsive to the requirements of the Technical Specifications and has offered the lowest price.
	38.2 PAF-IAST shall not be obliged to award the contract to the lowest priced offer, if the response is found deficient to the Technical Specifications and other compliances.
	38.3 In case of tie in Financial Bid Value, the Contract will be awarded to the bidder having closest match to the Technical Specifications.
39. Contract Signing	39.1 After the approval of any Work Award, a Contract Agreement on the stamp paper of appropriate value, shall be executed by PAF-IAST with Selected Bidder (i.e. Contractor) within 07 days from the date of issuance of LoI (Letter of Intent)/ Work Order.
	39.2 Failure to signing of Contract Agreement by the selected Bidder/ Firm with PAF- IAST within the stipulated time may constitute sufficient grounds for the annulment of the award, and forfeiture of the Bid Security, if any, and on which event, PAF- IAST may award the Contract to the Second highest rated or call for new Proposals.
40. Right to Vary quantity at the Time of Award	40.1 At the time of award of Contract, PAF-IAST reserves the right to vary the quantity of goods and/ or services, without any change in the unit price or other terms and conditions.
41. Sample draft Contract	41.1 A sample draft Contract to be signed, containing applicable General Terms and Conditions can be found at Annex – II.

42. Performance Security	42.1	A performance security, if required in the BDS, shall be provided in the amount specified in BDS, well prior to the Contract signing by both parties. Where a performance security is required, the receipt of the performance security by PAF-IAST shall be a condition for rendering the contract effective.	
43. Bank Guarantee for Advanced Payment	43.1	No Payment will be released in advance.	
44. Liquidated Damages	44.1	 PAF-IAST shall apply Liquidated Damages for the damages and/ or risks caused to PAF-IAST resulting from the Contractor's delays or breach of its obligations as per Contract. a) In case of delay, the Procurement Committee, PAF-IAST reserves the right to impose a penalty not exceeding 10% of the total amount of the Contract Value at the rate as referred in the Sample Contract at Annexure – II. b) If the Contractor fails to complete work as per PAF-IAST requirement, the Rector, PAF-IAST reserves the right to reject it altogether or impose a penalty not exceeding 50% of the total amount of the Contract. c) If the Contractor fails to provide supplies/ services as per PAF-IAST requirements, PAF-IAST may forfeit his earnest money as well as Performance Security, and the work will be done at the risk and cost of Contractor. d) In case of any dispute, matter will be referred to Rector, PAF-IAST whose decision will be binding on both the parties. 	
45. Force Majeure	45.1	"Force Majeure" means an event which is beyond the reasonable control of a party and which makes a party's performance of its obligations under the Purchase Order/ Work Order/ Contract impossible or so impractical as to be considered impossible under the circumstances, and includes, but is not limited to, War, Riots, Storm, Flood or other industrial actions (except where such strikes, lockouts or other industrial issues are within the power of the party invoking Force Majeure), confiscation or any other action by Government agencies. In all disputes between the parties as to matters arising pursuant to this Purchase Order/ Work Order/ Contract, the dispute will be referred to SPCAI, PAF-IAST whose decision will be final.	
46. Delivery of Goods	46.1	Contractor will be required to deliver the goods as per the Delivery Schedule referred in BDS without claiming any additional cost to the PAF-IAST at the designated site(s) and in quantities as referred in the Contract.	
47. Payment Provisions		Payment may be made through Local LC (Letter of Credit) which will be Open by PAF-IAST within 30 days after signing the Contract. However, payments will be made only upon PAF- IAST's acceptance of the goods and/ or services performed. The terms of payment shall be within thirty (30) days, after receipt of invoice, and certification of acceptance of goods and/ or services issued by the proper authority in PAF: IAST. Payment will be affected by bank transfer in the currency of the contract.	
	47.2	The Contractor shall provide all necessary supporting documents along with GST invoice, delivery challan and any other relevant documents as required by the PAF- IAST.	

Section 3. Bid Data Sheet

The following data for the goods and/ or services to be procured shall complement, supplement, or amend the provisions in the Invitation to Bid. In the case of a conflict between the Instructions to Bidders, the Bid Data Sheet, and other annexes or references attached to the Bid Data Sheet, the provisions in the Bid Data Sheet shall prevail.

BDS No.	Ref. to Section.2	Data	Specific Instructions / Requirements
1.		Background	Pak-Austria Fachhochschule: Institute of Applied Sciences and Technology (PAF: IAST) is novel in its content and holistic in approach. The project concept is based on the slogan of "Skilling Pakistan" to create a high-quality technical education infrastructure. This unique educational institution in Pakistan will closely collaborate with several institutions in Austria and China and award multiple foreign degrees. This is a historic and visionary initiative as it is probably the first time that an institution will be established in Pakistan with many foreign universities giving degrees to students who study in it.
2.		Objective	The main objective of this Tender is to equip Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence with a state-of-the-art GPU Accelerated Computing (GAC) facility that could radically enhance research capabilities, and improve probability of achieving high prestige in ever increasing competition in today's world. Moreover, enhanced GAC cluster is expected to play a vital role in attracting world-class research talent in the area of Artificial Intelligence. Establishing and sustaining the GAC cluster at the Center will also serve critical national goals of staying competitive and achieve self-sustainability. It will constitute a fundamental component of research and development in various fields of national interest within the umbrella of Artificial Intelligence domain.

3.		Scope of Work	 Supply, Installation & Commissioning of GPU Cluster and High Performance Workstations for Research Laboratories of Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence The required items as referred in Section – 5 have been sought on Turn-Key Basis by PAF-IAST for Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence, from a reputed Firms/ Companies. The supplier is expected to supply high quality products meeting the specification as stipulated in this ITB, which conforms to the international quality standards. The time specified for delivery, Installation and Commissioning in the tender document shall be deemed to be the essence of the contract and the Successful Bidder shall arrange within the specified period. The scope of work under this tender has been envisioned as follow; Supply, install and configure computing nodes and workstations as identified. QoS controls to allow for expansion of high performance computing capabilities. Support for the installed setup and facilitation from the Principal towards technical resources and training opportunities for the researchers/ professionals of Sino-Pak Center for Artificial Intelligence. Provide the necessary, scalable computing capacity to support research activities in the field of Artificial Intelligence for the next few years. Spare parts inventory that supports an appropriate balance of downtime risk, investment cost and procurement latency of warranty replacement. Post-Commissioning Warranty and Support Services for a least One (01) year from the date of commissioning to PAF-IAST be provided by the Supplier within the quoted cost of items. Moreover, additional Warranty and Support Services for next Four (04) years should be quoted separately by the Bidder as per the format of Form-G, on annual payment basis. However, it will be at sole discretion of PAF-IAST to avail additional Warranty and Support Services in subsequent year(s) or otherwise.
4.		Procurement Method	PPRA Rule 36(b)
5.	7 22, 23, 27	Language of the Bid Submitting Bids for Parts or subparts of the Schedule of Requirements (partial bids)	English The Procurement Committee shall consider the Bids on Turn- Key-Basis (i.e. all items required and any other item(s) necessary to meet the scope of work) as referred in Section – 5. Any item not quoted shall have reasonable grounds to reject the Bid, until and unless justified.
7.	20	Alternative Bids	Not Allowed.
8.	21	Pre-Bid conference	Will be held Online on Thursday the April 23, 2020 at 1100 hrs. Please email to <u>SPCAI@paf-iast.edu.pk</u> at least 24 hours prior to scheduled time, to receive link to Online meeting.
9.	16	Bid Validity Period	120 days
10.	13	Bid Security/ Earnest Money (Refundable)	<u>Required in the amount of</u> : 2% of the Bid Value. In case of options, earnest money shall be based on the maximum quoted price amongst the options. <u>Acceptable Forms of Bid Security</u> : Denominated in Pak Rupees duly issued by a Pakistani Bank or branch of a Foreign

			Bank, in the form of CDR, Pay Order/ Bank Draft in favor of the Project Director, SPCAI, PAF-IAST	
11.	42	Liquidated Damages	Will be imposed as follows: Percentage of contract price per day of delay: as referred in Draft Contract Sample in Annexure – II.	
12.	40	Performance Security	Within one week of issuance of Lol/ Purchase Order and well prior to the signing of Contract, as 10% of the Contract value for the duration of Warranty period referred in RFP.	
13.	12	Currency of Bid	Pakistani Rupees (PKR)	
14.	31	Deadline for submitting requests for clarifications/ questions	5 days before the submission deadline	
15.	31	Contact Details for submitting clarifications/ questions	Focal Person in PAF: IAST: Mr. Anwar Amjad 0995-645112	
16.	18, 19, and 21	Manner of Disseminating Supplemental Information to the ITB and responses/ clarifications to queries	Direct communication to prospective Bidders by email and/ or Posting on the PAF: IAST website: <u>procurement@paf-iast.edu.pk</u> <u>http://www.paf-iast.edu.pk/</u>	
17.	23	Deadline for Submission	Tuesday the May 05, 2020 on or before 12:00 Noon (PST)	
18.	22	Number of Set(s) of Bid	Technical Proposal(s) - One (01) Original - Two (02) Copies - Soft copy of Technical Proposal in a USB Flash Drive Financial Proposal(s) - - One (01) Original	
19.	22	Allowable Manner of Submitting Bids	⊠ Courier/ Hand Delivery only	
20.	22	Bid Submission Address	 By Courier/ Hand Delivery Convener Procurement Committee, PAF- IAST, Mang, Haripur 	
21.	22	Electronic submission (email) requirements	Not Allowed	
22.	25	Date, time and venue for the opening of bid	Date and Time: Tuesday the May 05, 2020 at 12:30 PM Venue: Conference Room, PAF-IAST, Mang, Haripur	
23.	27, 36	Evaluation Method	Eligible and qualified bids meeting the requirements and technically responsive as stipulated in this ITB	
24.		Evaluation Method for the Award of Contract	Lowest priced technically responsive.	
25.		Expected date for commencement of Contract	May 2020	
26.		Maximum expected duration of Contract	60 months	
27.	35	PAF: IAST will award the contract to:	One Bidder Only	
28.	39	Type and Contract Terms and Conditions that will apply	PAF-IAST General Terms and Conditions for Contracts for Goods and/ or Services as per Sample at Annex – II.	
29.	46	Delivery, Installation and Testing/ Training	DeliveryInstallationCommissioning10-12 weeks2 weeks1 week	
30.	47	Payment Schedule	Payment on Delivery of Equipment: 60% Payment on Commissioning: 40% (subject to Retention money against 1 st year Warranty & Support Services)	

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Preliminary Examination Criteria

Bids will be examined to determine whether they are complete and submitted in accordance with ITB requirements as per below criteria on a Yes/ No basis:

- Appropriate signatures
- Power of Attorney
- Minimum Bid documents provided
- Bid Validity
- Bid Security submitted as per ITB requirements with compliant validity period

Minimum Eligibility Criteria

Eligibility will be evaluated on a Pass/ Fail basis. If the Bid is submitted as a Joint Venture, there should be no more than two (02) companies in the Joint Venture and each company should meet the minimum criteria individually, unless otherwise specified.

Technical qualification will be evaluated on Score basis. Bidder will require to secure at least <u>**70 percent**</u> to qualify. Scores against each of the parameters in Section I, II & III will be according to documents provided by the Bidder, whereas scores in Section IV will be awarded by Technical Committee in response to Bidder's presentation.

	ELIGIBILITY			
S. #	Subject	Criteria	Reference Returnable Form(s)	
1.	Bidder's Status	Participating as Individual Company JV/ Consortium 	Form B: Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Association Information Form	
2.	Legal Status	Bidder is a legally registered entity in Pakistan and must be registered with SECP/ Registrar. Bidder is also registered with FBR for Income Tax and Sales Tax. Bidder/JV partner(s) must be Active Tax payers and Listed.		
3.	Location of Offices	Bidder (Lead Bidder) has declared office in Islamabad/ Karachi/ Lahore/ Peshawar/ Abbottabad for Last Fifteen (15) years.	Form C: Bidder Information Form	
4.	Bidder's status with Principal	Bidder (Lead Bidder) must be (Top TIER) TIER 1 partner with OEM for last 10Five (05) years for the supply and services.	l	
5.	Principal(s)' Authorization	Bidder should submit Manufacture Authorization Letter.	Form C: Bidder Information Form	
6.	Compliance of BoQ	Bidder should share the complete compliance of BoQ along with relevant documents.	Form E: Technical Proposal Form	
7.	Principal's Local Presence & Parts' Availability	Principal should have local presence in Pakistan with the relevant full time staff covering different operations; and at least One warehouse by Principal/ Bidder in declared office city and possesses parts availability within the country	Form C: Bidder Information Form	
8.	Company in Operation	Bidder (Lead Bidder) is in operation for at least Fifteen (15) years or more.	Form C: Bidder Information Form	

9.	ISO Certification	Bidder/Lead Bidder must be 27001: 2013 <u>or ISO 9001:2015 & ISO</u> 20000-1_Certified	Form C: Bidder Information Form
10.	Financial Strength	Average annual turnover over last 3 years Rs. 1000M or eqv. in USD from ICT Products/ Services (as per the published Audit Report) for Bidder (For JV/ Consortium/ Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement, however each partner should have an average turnover of Rs.2,000 million individually).	Form D: Qualification Form
11.	Relevant Experience	Min. No. of Projects of similar nature/ value/ complexity in last 3 years At least One (01) project by the Bidder locally, and five (05) projects by the Principal Regionally for renowned academic or research facility. (Published Case Studies must be provided) (For JV/Consortium/ Association, all Parties cumulatively should meet requirement.	Form D: Qualification Form Form E: Technical Proposal Form
12.	Eligibility	Bidder(s) is not suspended, nor debarred, nor otherwise identified as ineligible by any Government/ Semi-government/ Autonomous organization in Pakistan, in accordance with ITB clause 3. Non- Blacklisting certificate must be provided.	Form A: Bid Submission Form
13.	Bankruptcy	Bidder(s) has not declared bankruptcy, is not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against the vendor that could impair its operations in the foreseeable future.	Form A: Bid Submission Form
14.	Certificates and Licenses	 Bidder(s) related: Certificate of Registration of the business Certificate of Registration with FBR for both Income Tax and Sales Tax Certified Partner Status issued by Principal stating certified competencies for the proposed solution A proofing document confirms the offered Warranty & Post-commissioning Support and Services for at least One (01) year within the quoted Unit Price(s), and for Four (04) years as Extended Warranty. Supporting photos, data sheets, documents depicting usage scenarios of the proposed items. 	Form C: Bidder Information Form

	QUALIFICATION	QUALIFICATION					
S. #	Attribute	Description	Max. Score	Criteria	Returnable Form(s)		
	Section – I: General Co	orporate Profile	25				
15.	•	Number of offices/ services centers across	5	4+ offices fully operational for last five (05) year	Form C: Bidder Information Form		
		the country	3	3 – 4 offices fully operational for last five (05) year			
			1	< 3 offices fully operational for last five (05) year			
16.	Bidder's Human Resource Strength	Number of full-time employees	8	200+ employees with at least 20% Technical staff with atleast 10% having technical certification	Form C: Bidder		

			4	having technical certification 100 – 150 employees with at least 20% Technical staff atleast 10% having technical certification	
			2	50 – 99 employees with at least 20% Technical staff atleast 10% having technical certification	
17.	Financial Standing	Annual Turnover	7	2+ x Financial Strength	Form D:
		averaged over last 3 years	4	2 x Financial Strength	Qualification Form
		, ,	2	1.5 x Financial Strength	
18.	Annual Tax Paid	Annual Tax Paid	5	Rs. 101 million or more	Form D:
		averaged over last 3 years	3	Rs. 51 – 100 million	Qualification Form
		, ,	2	Rs. 50 million	
	Section – II: Business I	Profile	30		
19.	Relevant Experience	Project(s) of similar	7	Min. No. of Projects + 5	Form D:
		nature, value and complexity completed.	5	Min. No. of Projects + 3	Qualification Form
			3	Min. No. of Projects + 2	
20.	Public Sector	Project(s) delivered to	9	5 Projects worth \$1 million each	Form D:
	Experience	government organizations	7	3 Projects worth \$1 million each	Qualification Form
		5	5	2 Projects worth \$1 million each	
21.	1. Education Sector Experience	Project(s) completed at education institutions.	9	2+ Projects	Form D: Qualification Form
			7	2 Projects	
			5	1 Project	-
22.	Experience in Haripur/	Project(s) completed in Haripur/	5	Project worth 30 million in Haripur/Abbottabad	Form D: Qualification
	Abbottabad	Abbottabad	3	Project worth 25 million in Haripur/Abbottabad	Form
	Section – III: Manufac	turer's/ Product's	10		
23.	Strengths Manufacturer's Global Presence	Countries having supplied the same Quoted items	5	No. of countries identified by Bid in consideration/ Max. No. of countries identified in all Bids * 10	Form E: Project Proposal Form
24.	Manufacturer's Products Portfolio	Various Products produced by the manufacturer beyond quoted items	5	No. of relevant Products mentioned by Bid in consideration/ Max. No. of Products referred in all Bids * 10	Form E: Project Proposal Form
	Section – IV: Registrat	tion & Certifications	10		
25.	ISO 27001 Certified	Bidder or the Lead Bidder in case of JV	5	Copy of Valid Certificate	Form E: Project Proposal Form
		should be Certified			

	Section – V: Presentat Proposal	ion on Project	25		
27.	Project Management Approach	Overall approach towards planning and implementing the project.	8	To be assigned by the Technical Committee	Form E: Project Proposal Form
28.	Post-Commissioning Services	Overall approach towards after-sale support and services.	7	To be assigned by the Technical Committee	Form E: Project Proposal Form
29.	Distinguishing Features	Distinguishing features of the quoted Product and/ or overall project proposed.	10	To be assigned by the Technical Committee	Form E: Project Proposal Form
Gra	Grand Total		100		
	Technical Evaluation	Bids shall be evaluated on both Eligibility and Technical Qualification Criteria. Bidders meeting the Eligibility Criteria and able to secure 70 percent in Technical qualification shall be declared as Technically Qualified Bidders for the next step, i.e. Opening of Financial Bid.			nical qualification
	Financial Evaluation	Detailed analysis of the price schedule based on requirements listed in Section 5 and quoted for by the bidders in Form F. Price comparison shall be based on the landed price, including transportation, insurance and the total cost of ownership (including spare parts, consumption, installation, commissioning, training, special packaging, etc., where applicable) Comparison with budget/ internal estimates. Tender will be awarded on least-cost basis .			

Section 5a: Technical Specifications of the Required Goods

Computing Nodes	;			
Login Node	System Capacity			
[Qty. 1]	No. of Sockets	Two or more		
	Memory Slots	24 DIMMs or more		
	RAID	RAID Controller with 2Gb Cache		
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable		
	Server Chassis	20		
	Rack Mounting	Rack Mount with Cable Management Arm		
	Processors			
	CPU & Additional CPU	2 x Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 3.2GHz or higher, with 8 Cores or more, and 11M Cache or higher		
	Memory	4 x 16GB RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory		
	Lland Dial/(a)	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive		
	Hard Disk(s)	2 x 4TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS 12Gb/s 3.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive		
	Network Interfaces			
	HCA	1 x EDR 100Gbps HC along connectors & cable		
	Optical Ports	2 x 10GE Optical Network Card		
	Connectors	2 x 10Gbps SFP+ Connectors & cables		
	RJ-45 Ports	4 x 1GE RJ45 Network Card		
Master Node	System Capacity			
[Qty. 1]	No. of Sockets	Two or more		
	Memory Slots	24 DIMMs or more		
	RAID	RAID Controller with 2Gb Cache		
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable		
	Server Chassis	20		
	Rack Mounting	Rack Mount with Cable Management Arm		
	Processors			
	CPU & Additional CPU	2 x Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 2.1GHz or higher, with 20 Cores or more, and 27.5M Cache or higher		
	Memory	4 x 16GB RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory		
	Hard Disks	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive		
		2 x 4TB 7.2K RPM NL-SAS 12Gb/s 3.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive		
	Network Interfaces			
	НСА	2 x EDR 100Gbps HC along connectors & cables		
	No. of Optical Ports	2 x 10GE LC Network Card along connectors & cables		
	No. of RJ-45 Ports	2 x 1GE RJ45 Network Card		

Large Memory Node	System Capacity	
[Qty. 3]	No. of Sockets	Two or more
	Memory Slots	24 DIMMs or more
	RAID	RAID Controller with 2Gb Cache
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable
	Server Chassis	2U
	Rack Mounting	Rack Mount with Cable Management Arm
	Processors	
	CPU & Additional CPU	2 x Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 2.1GHz or higher, with 20 Cores or more, and 27.5M Cache or higher
	Memory	24 x 64GB ECC Registered DDR4 RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory
	Hard Disks	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive
	Network Interfaces	
	НСА	2 x EDR 100Gbps HC along connectors & cable
	No. of RJ-45 Ports	2 x 1GE RJ45 Network Card
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Compute Node [Qty 24]	System Capacity	
	Server Density	Modular server chassis supporting Central Management Modu
	Power Supply	Fully Populated Redundant Power Supplies
	Backplane	No Midplane
	Network	Scalable fabric architecture for Multiple Chassis
	Rack Mounting Rackmount with Cable Management	
	2Socket & 4Socket Blac	de Server Support
	CPU & Additional CPU	Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 2.1GF or higher, with 20 Cores or more, and 27.5M Cache or higher
	Memory	12 x 16GB ECC Registered DDR4 RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory
	Hard Disks	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive
	HCA	1 x EDR 100Gbps HCA along connectors & cable
	-	assis Engine Fabric with Failover
	Uplink	2 x 100Gb Uplink from Redundant Switches to Core/TOR
	Server Facing Ports	Minimum 16x25Gb- <u>/10 x 40Gbps/ 4 x 100Gbps</u> or higher
	Chassis Interconnect	400Gbps or higher
Metadata Service	System Capacity	
Node	No. of Sockets	Two or more
[Qty. 1]	Memory Slots	16 DIMMs or more
	RAID	RAID Controller with 2Gb Cache
	Battery Module	Super Capacitor
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable
	Rack Mounting	Slider
	Processors	
	CPU & Additional CPU	2 x Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 2.1GHz or higher, with 20 Cores or more, and 27.5M Cache or higher
	Memory	12 x 16GB ECC Registered DDR4 RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory
	Hard Disks	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive
		12 x 3.84TB SSD SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive
	Network Interfaces	

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	No. of RJ-45 Ports	4 x 1GE RJ45 Network Card
Store of Complete Node	<i>a.</i> 11.1 <i>.</i>	
Storage Service Node	Storage Unit	System must have 224TB useable with single name space
	Useable Capacity	System must have 324TB useable with single name space scalable upto 60PB
	System Node	4 Nodes or higher
	Interconnect	Dedicated Internode connect for parallel backend operations
		Each node should have 1 x Intel XeonXeon Gold processor or
	Compute Architecture	higher
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable
	Rack Mounting	Dedicated Rack for Scalable Storage Node
	Max Storage Configurat	ion Capabilities
	Max nodes supported	Proposed system should be scalable up to 250nodes or higher
	Max storage capacity	Scalable upto 60PB storage capacity & ability to extend 900GB/s
	per cluster	of throughput
	HDFS TDE & STIG	The system can support SMB3 encryption, HDFS Transparent
	Compliance	Data Encryption (TDE), Security and Technical Implementation Guide (STIG) hardening and multi-factor authentication
	External Interconnect	
		3.58 GB/s read throughput or higher (NFSv3, 128 KB block)
	Throughput	2.21 GB/s write throughput or higher (NFSv3, 512 KB block)
	Network Overlay	Dual 100GB/s Network as per supplier along with external
		connect switch extending Dual 100GB/s
	Storage architecture & I	
	Protocols	The system must provide a single platform with built-in multi- protocol capabilities including: HDFS, NFS, SMB, HTTP & FTP
		The system should be able to reallocate and rebalance data and
	Auto Balance	make storage space more usable and efficient when adding the
		new nodes for capacity expansion
		The storage system can sustain multiple disks and multiple
	Disk & Controller Node	controller/node failures. The system resiliency is provided & supports to tolerate one node (+1n), two nodes (+2n), three
	Failures	nodes (+3n) and four nodes (+4n) failure and mirroring at (2x till
		8x mirroring) according to the Protection level policy
	Ease of Management	The system should be manageable with single point of
		administration for single file system upto 60PB.
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable

InfiniBand Switch	System Parameters			
[Qty. 4]	Туре	Unmanaged Switch-IB™ based EDR InfiniBand Switch		
	Switching Capacity	Non-blocking of min. 7.2Tbps		
	Power Supply	1+1 Redundant Power Supply		
	Rack Mounting	Standard depth with Rail Kit		
	Cooling System	P2C airflow		
	Compliance	RoHS6		
	Network Interfaces			
	EDR Ports	36-ports QSFP along connectors and cables		
Installation, Configuration & Commissioning	Complete installation of all equipment pertaining to Computing Nodes as per manufacturer's guidelines, and reinstate the site in all civil aspects. Configuration of all equipment for an optimum and efficient output of the facility, meeting the objectives and requirements. Testing and commissioning of the complete setup as per the requirements and satisfaction of SPCAI, PAF-IAST.			

GPU Node	System Capacity	System Capacity			
[Qty. 5]	CPU Socket	Two or more			
	DIMMs	24 DIMMs or more			
	RAID Controller	RAID Controller with 2Gb Cache			
	Power Supply	Redundant, Hot Pluggable			
	Form Factor	20			
	Rack Kit	Rack Mount with Cable Management Arm			
	Processors				
	CPU & Additional CPU	Intel XeonXeon Gold Scalable Processor base frequency 2.2GHz or higher, with 28 Cores or more, and 38.5M Cache or higher			
	Memory	12 x 32GB ECC Registered DDR4 RDIMM 2933MT/s Memory			
	Hard Disk	2 x 2.4TB 10K RPM SAS 12Gb/s 2.5" Hot-plug Hard Drive			
	Graphics Processing Un	it			
	Card	2 X NVIDIA® Tesla™ V100S 32GB, 260W, Passive GPU			
	Network Interfaces				
	НСА	2 x EDR 100Gbps HC along connectors & cable			
	RJ-45 Ports	2 x 1GE RJ45 Network Card			
Installation,Complete installation of all equipment pertaining to GPU Accelerated Computing manufacturer's guidelines, and reinstate the site in all civil aspects. Configuration an optimum and efficient output of the facility, meeting the objectives and requi commissioning of the complete setup as per the requirements and satisfaction or		nd reinstate the site in all civil aspects. Configuration of all equipment for tput of the facility, meeting the objectives and requirements. Testing and			

High Performance Co	mputing Workstations	
Workstation Type - 1	System Capacity	
[Qty. 2]	No. of Sockets	Two or more
	Memory Slots	16 DIMMs or more
	RAID	SATA3 RAID Controller w/ RAID 0, 1, 5, 10
	Power Supply	Multi-GPU Approved Power Supply with High Performance Liquid Cooling or better
	Processors	
	CPU & Additional CPU	Dual Intel Processor 2.1GHz or higher, with 10 Cores or more, and 13.75M Cache or higher
	Memory	4 x 8GB ECC Registered DDR4 2933MT/s Memory
	Hard Disk	2 x 2TB 7.2K RPM SATA
		1 x 256GB SSD Class 20
	Graphics Processing Uni	it
		2 x NVIDIA GeoForce RTX2080Ti or better
	Card	2 x NVIDIA® GeForce RTX™ 2080 <u>or RTX2080Ti</u> 8GB GDDR6
		each (NVIDIA NVLink SLI® Enabled) (OC Ready) or better 2 x GTX 1080Ti 11Gb card with dedicated 11GB memory with
		multi display support
	Network Interfaces	
	10GE	2 x 10GE ports
	RJ-45 Ports	2 x 1GE RJ45
	Peripherals	
	Monitor	LED UltraSharp 27" or bigger
	Keyboard	Same Brand
	Mouse	Optical (Same Brand)

	OS Certified	RHEL/ SUSE and Windows Certified		
Workstation Type - 2	System Capacity			
[Qty. 2]	No. of Sockets	Two or more		
	Memory Slots	16 DIMMs or more		
	RAID	SATA3 RAID Controller w/ RAID 0, 1, 5, 6, 10		
	Power Supply	Multi-GPU Approved Power Supply with High Performance Liquid Cooling or better or as per OEM specification		
	Processors			
	CPU & Additional CPU	2 x Intel Processor base frequency 2.1GHz or higher, with 20 Cores or more, and 27.5MB Cache or higher		
	Memory	2 x 64GB ECC Registered DDR4 2933MT/s Memory		
	Hard Disk 2 x 2TB M.2 PCIe NVME Class 40 SSD			
	Graphics Processing Un	it		
	Card	2 x NVIDIA P6000 24GB memory with multi display support or better		
	Network Interfaces			
	10GE	2 x 10GE		
	RJ-45 Ports	2 x 1GE RJ45		
	Peripherals			
	Monitor	LED UltraSharp 27" or bigger		
	Keyboard	Same Brand		
	Mouse	Optical (Same Brand)		
	OS Certified	RHEL/ SUSE and Windows Certified		
Installation, Configuration & Commissioning	figuration & guidelines, and reinstate the site in all civil aspects. Configuration of all equipment for an optimum efficient output of the facility meeting the objectives and requirements. Testing and commission			

Note: Bidders are required to provide/ supplement their claim of "equivalent" product or items with Third Party Report, without which, claim will not be accepted, and Bid is likely to be rejected.

Note:

- 1. SPCAI, PAF-IAST may re-adjust or increase/ decrease the quantities at the time of Contract.
- 2. The Bidder shall indicate in their offer,
 - a. detailed specifications of their offered product(s)/ solution(s),
 - b. standard accessories,
 - c. make and origin, as part of confirming Compliance as per the format given in Form D.
- 3. The Unit Price, Total Bid Price, and Additional Warranty Price of the quoted items shall be indicated as per the given format in Form G.

Standard

- The goods supplied must be capable of functioning properly under the climatic conditions of Haripur.
- The goods supplied shall not be reaching to their "End of Sale/ Life" in next five (05) years and "End of Support" in next eight (08) years from the date of delivery. To this effect, Bidder(s) shall supply a Certificate from the Principal(s) for all the equipment.
- Bidder(s) shall submit their proposed Solution Design duly vetted/ endorsed by the Principal(s) through a letter stating so.
- There shall be no deviation from specification and country of make as provided with each item. In case of any ambiguity in specification/ accessories needed for the full functioning of the equipment, the firm must clear it with the Procurement Committee. However, the decision of the Procurement Committee will be final.
- The goods with standard accessories supplied under this tender shall confirm to the standard maintenance in the technical specification.

Solution Specific

Bidder must comply to the points below while quoting the solution;

1. Availability

- Must be Speed time-to-deployment centric with single, elastic pool of resources
- Solution is fast, simple deployment, comprehensive support and the agility to scale up market solution and itself linear scale-out.
- Must be designed to deliver proven Five 9s availability (99.999%)

2. Functionality

- Scale-out infrastructure providing the ability to meet users' changing demands at the speed of business and freedom with advanced IT forecasting.
- Deployment, Configuration and Management rules engine, delivering a built-in features with support oriented.
- Converge infrastructure providing a seamless and harmonious end user experience that embodies the simplicity and ease-of-use functionality
- Solution have an established global reach, required manufacturing capabilities, and the necessary international certifications and capabilities.
- Solution must capable of providing consistent and resilient fault tolerance scale-up storage

3. Scalability

- Linear scale-out with small increment, cost-effective building block approach
- Eliminate need for pre-planned infrastructure purchases
- Supports heterogeneous storage hardware with archival support.

4. Performance

- Propose solution must provide the performance, provisioning, and scale-out attributes to meet escalating business demands automation, ease-of-use, and orchestration characteristics ensure resource optimization and efficiency
- Hyper converged scale-out, nature work in clustered systems, which ensures that performance needs are met as workloads grow because each node added to a cluster contributes its resources.
- Resources (broader) pool can be shared and rebalanced as needed among nodes.
- Solution must have safeguarding environment with higher system, application and data availability, centralized backup and recovery with Data Protection, disaster recovery and continuous data protection.

5. Flexibility

• All nodes can have varying configurations within a provision cluster, thus providing additional flexibility to compute, storage and network.

• FT (Fault Tolerance) providing system availability during maintenance and DRS load balances workloads.

6. Security & Data protection

- Must support role-based management for converged administration
- Must support strong authentication for connected applications (bidder to specify details)
- Must support strong authentication for replication between inline systems (bidder to specify details)
- Must provide the ability to specify and control authorization levels for authenticated users and applications
- Must provide the ability to specify different management/ administration roles with different access/ management capabilities
- Should have capability to provide local and remote protection
- Should provide bandwidth optimization for replication
- Should eliminate or minimize overhead on production nodes and storage
- Must maintain an audit log that logs at least the following information:
 - Every login to the system
 - Every failed login attempt
 - Configuration changes
 - Management commands
- Strong authentication for remote service/ support access and the ability to lock the system to prevent such connections when needed

7. Support and Maintenance

- 5 years Hardware/ Software Support
- 24 x 7 on site direct support from manufacturer
- Single point of (solution) support one window operation

Training

The bidder supplying the equipment(s) will demonstrate the operation/ working of the supplied goods to the satisfaction of PAF- IAST and provide training. Suppliers are advised to provide details on formal training covering aspects as mentioned below, but not limited to, as required in Form – E (Section 3).

Level	
Basic Demonstrate the working to end users; Identify the do's and don'ts; and aspec	
	necessary for long-life functioning of supplied goods.
Hands-on Demonstrate technical features; Elaborate technical configuration(s) performed	
	integration with the overall setup; Documented guidelines for generating reports using
	software and/ or systems' interface
Advanced	Provide trainings to Operators for troubleshooting and smooth operations using
	system manuals; Provide trainings leading towards Certification to at least Five (05)
	Resources at the Principal's Authorized Training Center in a formal classroom
	environment with curriculum of no less than 70 hours.

• In addition, the bidder supplying the item/ equipment(s) will acquire from the Principal(s) the status of **"Certified Training Center"** as part of this procurement for SPCAI, PAF-IAST, Mang – Haripur. A separate agreement/ MoU shall be signed with the Principal(s) for the purpose.

Calibration of item/ equipment

• The supplier will install the good(s) in the presence and satisfaction of the Procurement Committee, if need be. In case of any defect in the supplied good(s) or if it is not in accordance with the desired specification(s), the goods will be changed at the cost of the supplier.

Warranty/ Guarantee

- The Supplier will give comprehensive onsite warranty/ guarantee that the goods/ stores/ articles would continue to conform to the description and quality as specified for a period of at least Five (05) years from the date of delivery, installation and commissioning of the said goods/ stores/ articles to be purchased and that notwithstanding the fact that the purchaser may have inspected and/ or approved the said goods/ stores/ article, if during the aforesaid period, the said goods/ stores/ articles, be discovered not to conform to the description and quality aforesaid or have determined (and the decision of the Procurement Committee in that context will be final and conclusive), the PAF IAST will be entitled to reject the said goods/ stores/ articles or such portion thereof as may be discovered not to conform to the said description and quality, on such rejection the goods/ articles/ stores will be at the supplier's risk and all the provisions relating to rejection of goods etc. shall apply.
- The Supplier shall, if so called upon to do, replace the goods etc., or such portion thereof as is rejected by Procurement Committee, otherwise the supplier shall pay such damage as may arise by the reason of the breach of the condition herein contained. Nothing herein contained shall prejudice any other right of the Procurement Committee in that behalf under the contract or otherwise.
- The Supplier shall also replace equipment, in case it is found defective which cannot be put to operation due to manufacturing defect, etc. In case of equipment specified by the Procurement Committee, the supplier shall be responsible from carrying out annual maintenance and repairs on the terms and conditions as may be agreed. The supplier shall also be responsible to ensure adequate regular supply of spare parts needed for a specific type of equipment whether under their annual maintenance and repairs contract or otherwise. In case of change of model, supplier will give sufficient notice to the Procurement Committee who may like to purchase spare parts from them to maintain the equipment in perfect condition.

Support Service

- The Supplier will also be responsible for post-commissioning Support Services as per the SLA during first year of Warranty within the cost of equipment and services.
- The Supplier shall continue to provide Support Services in subsequent years for additional Four (04) years, should PAF-IAST decides to avail the Warranty/ Support Services on annual basis.
- The Supplier may be asked to depute at least One (01) Resident Engineer for day-to-day operations and assistance to PAF-IAST.

Section 6: Returnable Bidding Forms / Checklist

This section serves as a checklist for preparation of your Bid. Please complete the Returnable Bidding Forms in accordance with the instructions in the forms and return them as part of your Bid submission. No alteration to format of forms shall be permitted and no substitution shall be accepted.

Before submitting your Bid, please ensure compliance with the Bid Submission instructions of the BDS 22.

Bid Proposal:

Have you duly completed all the Returnable Bidding Forms?	
+ Form A: Bid Submission Form	
+ Form B: Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Association Information Form	
+ Form C: Bidder Information Form	
+ Form D: Qualification Form	
+ Form E: Bid Proposal Form	
+ Form F: Specifications Compliance Form	
+ Form G: Price Schedule Form	
Have you provided the required documents to establish compliance with the evaluation criteria in Section 4?	

Form A: Bid Submission Form

(To be Submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
ITB reference:	PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20		

We, the undersigned, submit our Bid for the award of contract to supply the goods and related services required for [Insert Title of goods and services] in accordance with your Invitation to Bid No. [Insert ITB Reference Number]. We hereby submit our Bid, which includes this Bid proposal.

We hereby declare that our firm, its affiliates or subsidiaries or employees, including any JV/ Consortium/ Association members or subcontractors or suppliers for any part of the contract:

- a) is not under procurement prohibition by any of the Government/ Semi-government/ Autonomous organization;
- b) have not been suspended, debarred, sanctioned or otherwise identified as ineligible by any Organization in Pakistan;
- c) have not declared bankruptcy, are not involved in bankruptcy or receivership proceedings, and there is no judgment or pending legal action against us that could impair our operations in the foreseeable future;
- d) undertake not to engage in proscribed practices, including but not limited to corruption, fraud, coercion, collusion, obstruction, or any other unethical practice, with the PAF: IAST, and to conduct business in a manner that averts any financial, operational, reputational or other undue risk to the PAF: IAST.

We declare that all the information and statements made in this Bid are true and we accept that any misinterpretation or misrepresentation contained in this Bid may lead to our disqualification and/ or sanctioning by the PAF-IAST.

We offer to supply the goods and related services in conformity with the Bidding documents, including the PAF-IAST General Conditions of Contract and in accordance with the Schedule of Requirements and Specifications.

Our Bid shall be valid and remain binding upon us for the period specified in the Bid Data Sheet.

We understand and recognize that you are not bound to accept any Bid you receive.

I, the undersigned, certify that I am duly authorized by [Insert Name of Bidder] to sign this Bid and bind it should PAF- IAST accept this Bid.

Name:	
Title:	
Date:	
Signature:	

[Stamp with official stamp of the Bidder]

Form B: Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Association Information Form

(To be Submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
ITB reference:	PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20		

To be completed and returned with your Bid if the Bid is submitted as a Joint Venture/ Consortium/ Association.

No	Name of Partner and contact information (address, telephone numbers, fax numbers, e-mail address)	Proposed proportion of responsibilities (in %) and type of goods and/or services to be performed
1	[Complete]	[Complete]
2	[Complete]	[Complete]
3	[Complete]	[Complete]

Name of leading partner	
(with authority to bind the JV, Consortium,	
Association during the ITB process and, in	[Complete]
the event a Contract is awarded, during	
contract execution)	

We have attached a copy of the below referenced document signed by every partner, which details the likely legal structure of and the confirmation of joint and severable liability of the members of the said joint venture:

Letter of intent to form a joint venture

OR UJV/Consortium/Association agreement

We hereby confirm that if the contract is awarded, all parties of the Joint Venture/Consortium/Association shall be jointly and severally liable to PAF: IAST for the fulfillment of the provisions of the Contract.

Name of partner:	Name of partner:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:
Name of partner:	Name of partner:
Signature:	Signature:
Date:	Date:

Form C: Bidder Information Form

(To be Submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
ITB reference:	PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20		

Legal name of Bidder	[Complete]
Legal address & Branch Offices	[Complete]
SECP Registration No.	[Complete]
National Tax Number (NTN)	[Complete]
Sales Tax Number (STRN)	[Complete]
Year of registration	[Complete]
Location of Office(s)	[Complete]
Principal's Office Address in Pakistan	
Warehouse Address in Pakistan	
Bidder's Authorized Representative Information	Name and Title: [Complete] Telephone numbers: [Complete] Email: [Complete]
Are you a PAF – IAST registered vendor?	□ Yes □ No If yes, [insert PAF- IAST vendor number]
Countries of operation	[Complete]
No. of full-time employees	[Complete]
No. of Technical Staff	[Complete]
Quality Assurance Certification (e.g. ISO 9000 or Equivalent) (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]
Does your Company hold any accreditation such as ISO 14001 or ISO 14064 or equivalent related to the environment? (If yes, provide a Copy of the valid Certificate):	[Complete]

Does your Company have a written Statement of its Environmental Policy? (If yes, provide a Copy)	[Complete]
Does your organization demonstrates significant commitment to sustainability through some other means, for example internal company policy documents on women empowerment, renewable energies, education, vocational trainings, social responsibility towards people with Special needs, or membership of trade institutions promoting such issues	[Complete]
Contact person that PAF: IAST may	Name and Title: [Complete]
contact for requests for clarifications	Telephone numbers: [Complete]
during Bid evaluation (Only Lead	Email: [Complete]
Bidder)	
Please attach the following documents:	 Company Profile, which should not exceed fifteen (15) pages, including printed brochures and product catalogues relevant to the goods and/ or services being procured. Proposed timetable for delivery, installation and commissioning plan for the required and quoted items to PAF – IAST after the award of Contract. Certificate of Registration of the business. Certificate of Registration with FBR for both IT and Sales Tax. Principals' Authorization Letter in favor of Bidder to participate in this Tender. Certificate from Principal(s) to the affect that supplied equipment/ product shall not reach to "End of Sale/ Life" earlier than Five (05) years and "End of Support" earlier than Eight (08) years from the date of delivery. A proofing document confirming the offered warranty for at least Five (05) years, supported by the manufacturers/ principals' certificates. Certificate or Consent Letter from Principal(s) on account of giving the status of "Principal's Certified Training Center" to PAF-IAST, and willingness of Principal(s) to sign separate agreement/ MoU with PAF-IAST in this context. A proofing document confirming supply of same or similar items pertaining to the quoted products, of this magnitude to various clients/ customers in Pakistan or in the Region. Proven records of the required Projects of similar nature/ value/ complexity in which delivery and services were extended. Full detailed description of the specifications of the proposed items in addition to catalogues clearly showing the proposed specifications responding to the requirements. Supporting photos of the proposed items. Quality certifications: ISO 9001:2015 Latest Audited Financial Statements (Income Statement and
	Balance Sheet) including Auditor's Report for the past (3 years).
Note: To be filled in by each partner in	n case Bid is submitted as a JV/ Consortium/ Association

Note: To be filled in by each partner in case Bid is submitted as a JV/ Consortium/ Association

Form D: Qualification Form

(To be submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date	
ITB reference:	PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20			

If JV/ Consortium/ Association, to be completed by each partner.

Previous Relevant Experience

Please list all Projects successfully completed in the last 3 years, covering following aspects;

- a) Scope of the projects/ assignments.
- b) Activities performed for the successful completion of the project.
- c) Support Services Contracts in hand with SLA for the supplied goods.

List only those assignments for which the Bidder was legally contracted or sub-contracted by the Client as a company or was one of the Consortium/ JV partners. Assignments completed by the Bidder's individual experts working privately or through other firms cannot be claimed as the relevant experience of the Bidder, or that of the Bidder's partners or sub-consultants, but can be claimed by the Experts themselves in their CVs. The Bidder should be prepared to substantiate the claimed experience by presenting copies of relevant documents and references if so requested by PAF- IAST.

Project name & Country of Assignment	Client & Reference Contact Details	Contract Value	Period of activity and status	Types of activities undertaken

Bidders may also attach their own Project Data Sheets with more details for assignments above.

History of Non-Performing Contracts

🗆 Non-pe	\Box Non-performing contracts did not occur during the last 3 years				
□ Contract(s) not performed in the last 3 years					
Year Non- performed portion of contract Contract Identification Total Contract (current value)					
		Name of Client: Address of Client: Reason(s) for non-performance:			

Financial Standing

Annual Turnover for the last 3 years	Year Year Year	PKR PKR PKR
Latest Credit Rating (if any), indicate the source		

Financial information (in PKR equivalent)	Historic information for the last 3 years		
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3
	Info	rmation from Balance Shee	t
Total Assets (TA)			
Total Liabilities (TL)			
Current Assets (CA)			
Current Liabilities (CL)			
	Inform	nation from Income Stateme	ent
Total / Gross Revenue (TR)			
Profits Before Taxes (PBT)			
Net Profit			
Current Ratio			

□ Attached are copies of the audited financial statements (balance sheets, including all related notes, and income statements) for the years required above complying with the following condition:

- a) Must reflect the financial situation of the Bidder or party to a JV, and not sister or parent companies;
- b) Historic financial statements must be audited by a certified public accountant;
- c) Historic financial statements must correspond to accounting periods already completed and audited. No statements for partial periods shall be accepted.

Tax Payment Standing

Annual Tax Paid by the Bidder

Annual Turnover for the last 3 years	Year	PKR
	Year	PKR
	Year	PKR

Annual Tax Paid by the Principal in Pakistan (if applicable)

Annual Turnover for the last 3 years	Year	PKR
	Year	PKR
	Year	PKR

Form E: Technical Proposal Form

(To be submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
ITB reference:	PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20		

The Bidder's Bid should be organized to follow this format of the Technical Bid Proposal. Where the bidder is presented with a requirement or asked to use a specific approach, the bidder must not only state its acceptance, but also describe how it intends to comply with the requirements. Where a descriptive response is requested, failure to provide the same may be viewed as non-responsive.

SECTION 1: Qualification, capacity and expertise

- 1.1 Bidder's general organizational capability: management structure, financial stability and project financing capacity, project management controls, extent of work to be subcontracted (if so, provide details).
- 1.2 Bidder's relevance of specialized knowledge and experience on similar engagements done in the region/ country. Bidder should submit a detailed description of the projects executed (quantities, value, beneficiary)
- 1.3 Manufacturer's strengths covering the regional/ global market presence, hi-tech products portfolio, manufacturing capacity, R&D activities resulting in national and international patents, quality control and assurance practices, and international certifications in relevant areas.

SECTION 2: Management Structure and Key Personnel

- 2.1 Describe the overall management approach toward planning and implementing the project. Include an organization chart for the management of project describing relationship of key positions and designations.
- 2.2 Provide CVs for key personnel that will be provided to support the implementation of this project using the format below. CVs should demonstrate qualifications in areas relevant to scope of goods and/or services.

Name of Personnel	[Insert]
Position	[Insert]
Nationality	[Insert]
Language proficiency	[Insert]
Education/ Qualifications	[Summarize college/university and other specialized education of personnel member, giving names of schools, dates attended, and degrees/qualifications obtained.] [Insert]
Professional certifications	 [Provide details of professional certifications relevant to the scope of goods and/or services] Name of institution: [Insert] Date of certification: [Insert]
Employment Record/ Experience	[List all positions held by personnel (starting with present position, list in reverse order), giving dates, names of employing organization, title of position and location of employment. [Insert]

Format for CV of Proposed Key Personnel

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the data provided above correctly describes my qualifications, my experiences, and other relevant information about myself.

Signature of Personnel

Date (Day/Month/Year)

SECTION 3: Scope of Supply, Technical Specifications and Training(s)

This section should demonstrate the Bidder's responsiveness to the specification by identifying the specific products proposed, addressing the requirements, as specified, point by point; providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed; and demonstrating how the proposed bid meets or exceeds the requirements/specifications. All important aspects should be addressed in sufficient detail.

- 3.1 A detailed description of how the Bidder will deliver the required goods and services, keeping in mind the appropriateness to local conditions and project environment. Details how the different service elements shall be organized, controlled and delivered.
- 3.2 Explain whether any work would be subcontracted, to whom, how much percentage of the requirements, the rationale for such, and the roles of the proposed sub-contractors and how everyone will function as a team.
- 3.3 Implementation plan including a Gantt Chart or Project Schedule indicating the detailed sequence of activities that will be undertaken and their corresponding timing.
- 3.4 Details on post-commissioning trainings on-site hands-on training.

SECTION 4: Registration & Certifications

This section should demonstrate the Bidder's responsiveness towards its registration with the relevant national body and international organizations Certifying the bidder's qualifications with respect to Quality and Project Management.

- 4.1 Provide a copy of valid Certificate issued by International Organization for Standardization certifying the bidder's compliance and practices towards quality management principles and standards in their offered products/ solutions and services.
- 4.2 Provide a copy of valid Certificate issued by International Organization for Standardization certifying the bidder's compliance and practices towards information security management principles and standards in their offered products/ solutions and services.

SECTION 5: Warranty and Support Services

This section should demonstrate the Bidder's responsiveness to the post-commissioning warranty and support services of the goods supplied, addressing the requirements, as specified, point by point; providing a detailed description of the essential performance characteristics proposed; and demonstrating how the proposed bid meets or exceeds the requirements. All important aspects should be addressed in sufficient detail.

- 5.1 A detailed description of how the Bidder will provide the Warranty claims to the users, keeping in mind the span and complexity of the project in context of local conditions and project environment.
- 5.2 Explain whether any services or work would be subcontracted, to whom, how much percentage of the requirements, the rationale for such, and the roles of the proposed sub-contractors and how everyone will function as a team.
- 5.3 Details how the post-delivery/ deployment Support Services will be provided to the users keeping in consideration the criticality of IT systems, and dependency of university administration and operations on such systems.

Form F: Specifications Compliance Form

(To be submitted in an envelope duly sealed and marked as Technical Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date
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The Bidder's Bid should be organized to follow this format of the Technical Bid Proposal. Where the bidder is presented with a requirement or asked to use a specific approach, the bidder must not only state its acceptance, but also describe how it intends to comply with the requirements. Where a descriptive response is requested, failure to provide the same may be viewed as non-responsive.

		Your response Compliance with specifications			
Goods and services to be Supplied (based on the Technical Specifications provided in Section 5a & Section 5b)		Comply (Yes/ No) (If No, indicate discrepancies)	Quoted Specifications	Type/ Model no. & Country of Origin	
Requir	red Items		Offered Items		
COMP	UTING NODES				
1.	Login Node				
2.	Master Node				
3.	Large Memory Node				
4.	Compute Node		(Bidders are required to attac		
5.	Metadata Service Node		Compliance Comparison She supported by Product Data		
6.	Storage Service Node		Sheet against the Specificatio		
7.	InfiniBand Switch		provided in Section – 5)		
8.	Installation, Configuration & Commissioning				
GPU A					
1.	GPU Nodes		(Bidders are required to attac	ch	
2.	Installation, Configuration &		Compliance Comparison She		
	Commissioning		supported by Product Data		
			Sheet against the Specificatio provided in Section – 5)	ons	
HIGH	PERFORMANCE COMPUTING			, 	
WORK	STATIONS				
1.	Workstation Type – 1		(Bidders are required to attac		
2.	Workstation Type – 2		Compliance Comparison She		
3.	Installation, Configuration & Commissioning		supported by Product Data Sheet against the Specificatio provided in Section – 5)		

Form G: Price Schedule Form

(To be Submitted in a separate and sealed envelope duly marked as Financial Proposal)

Name of Bidder:	[Insert Name of Bidder]	Date:	Select date				
ITB reference: PAF: IAST-SPCAI-HPC-ITB-104-20							
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[The Bidder is required to prepare the Price Schedule following the below format. The Price Schedule must include a detailed cost breakdown of all goods and related services to be provided.]

We, the <<Name of Bidder>>, hereby submit our Financial Bid for the Supply of Items as below. We assure you of our full compliance to the required specifications, delivery schedule and other terms without any deviation and/ or reservations. We reiterate our acceptance to the terms and conditions of the RFP. Our Financial proposal as below is submitted for your kind consideration;

Quoted Items in compliance to the Technical Specifications as referred in Section – 5a and Section – 5b		Quantity (a)	Unit Price [in Rs.] (b)	GST [in Rs.] (c)	Total Price [in Rs.] d=a*[b+c]
COMPUTING NODES					
1.	Login Node	1			
2.	Master Node	1			
3.	Large Memory Node	3			
4.	Compute Node	24			
5.	Metadata Service Node	1			
6.	Storage Service Node	1			
7.	InfiniBand Switch	4			
GPU ACCELERATED COMPUTING					
1.	GPU Nodes	5			
HIGH	HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING WORKSTATIONS				
1.	Workstation Type – 1	2			
2.	Workstation Type – 2	2			

Extended Warranty Price (at discretion of PAF-IAST)

Annual Warranty & Support Services beyond Standard Warranty of the Quoted Items		2 nd Year (in PKR)	3 rd Year (in PKR)	4 th Year (in PKR)	5 th Year (in PKR)
COMPUTING NODES					
1.	Login Node				
2.	Master Node				
3.	Large Memory Node				
4.	Compute Node				
5.	Metadata Service Node				
6.	Storage Service Node				
7.	InfiniBand Switch				
GPU ACCELERATED COMPUTING					
1.	GPU Nodes				
HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING WORKSTATIONS					
1.	Workstation Type – 1				
2.	Workstation Type – 2				

 Total Bid Value in Figures (including Extended Warranty Price):

 Total Bid Value in words (including Extended Warranty Price):

Offered Percentage Discount in case Local LC (Letter of Credit) is opted as Mode of Payment:

Final Bid Value in Figures (including Extended Warranty & Discount):_____

Final Bid Value in words (including Extended Warranty & Discount):_____

Name & Designation of Authorized Person:_____

Signature: ______ (Please affix company stamp here) Note: Quoted price must be inclusive of all taxes and duties.

Annex – I: Integrity Pact

The Bidders will be required to submit the below text on stamp paper after filling in the details and duly signed as well as stamped, as part of their Technical Proposal.

DECLARATION OF FEES, COMMISSION AND BROKERAGE ETC PAYABLE BY THE SUPPLIER OF GOODS, SERVICES & WORK IN CONTRACTS WORTH RS. 10.0 MILLION OR MORE

(To be filled by the bidder as a part of technical proposal)

Contract Number: ______ Dated: ______

Contract Value: _____

Contract Title: _____

______ hereby declare that it has not obtained or induced the procurement of any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit from Government of Pakistan or any administrative subdivision or agency thereof or any other entity owned or controlled by it (GoP) through any corrupt business partner.

Without limiting the generality of the forgoing, _______ represents and warrants that it has fully declared the brokerage, commission, fees etc. paid or payable to anyone and not given or not given or agreed to give and shall not give or agree to give to anyone within or outside Pakistan either directly or indirectly through any nature or juridical person, including its affiliate, agent, associate, broker, consultant, director, promoter, shareholder, sponsor or subsidiary, any commission, gratification, bribe, finder's fee or kickback, whether described as consultant fee or otherwise, with the object of obtaining or inducing the procurement of a contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit in whatever from GoP, except that which has been expressly declared pursuant hereto.

______ certifies that it has made and will make full disclosure of all agreements and arrangements with all persons in respect of or related to the transaction with GoP and has not taken any action or will not take any action to circumvent the above declaration, representation or warranty.

_______accept full responsibility and strict liability for making any false declaration, not making full discloser, misrepresenting facts or taking any action likely to defeat the purpose of this declaration, representation and warranty. It agrees that any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit obtained or procured as aforesaid shall, without prejudice to any other right and remedies available to GoP under any law, contract or other instrument, be voidable at the option of GoP.

Notwithstanding any rights and remedies exercised by GoP in this regard, ________ agrees to identify GoP for any loss or damage incurred by it on account of its corrupt business practices and further pay compensation to GoP in an amount equivalent to ten time the sum of any commission, gratification, bribe, finder's fee or kickback given by ______ as aforesaid for the purpose of obtaining or inducing the procurement of any contract, right, interest, privilege or other obligation or benefit in whatsoever from GoP.

[Buyer] [Seller / Supplier]

Annex – II: Draft Contract Sample

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