RFP	AUB/IT/23/003
Subject	**Symantec- Licenses**
Issue Date	29-March-2023
Closing Date	10-April-2023

CORPORATE BACKGROUND:

Afghan United Bank is a full-fledged privately owned commercial bank incorporated on October 4, 2007. The Bank obtained its banking license under the Banking Laws of Afghanistan from the Central Bank of Afghanistan (DA Afghanistan Bank) and received incorporation license from Afghanistan Investment Support Agency (AISA). The Bank is currently operating through 27 branches in Kabul, Nangarhar, Kandahar, Balkh, Herat, Kunduz, Parwan, Helmand, Nimroz, Khost and other big cities of the country. The bank is offering financial products and services in both Conventional and Islamic Banking across these branches.

PROJECT SUMMARY:
Afghan United Bank is seeking all qualified vendors/partners to participate and provide their best quotes for the Licensing as described in the technical specification.

GOVERNMENT WITHHOLDING TAX:
Pursuant to Article 72 in the Afghanistan Tax Law effective March 21, 2009, Afghan United Bank is required to withhold "contractor" taxes from the gross amounts payable to all Afghan for-profit subcontractors/vendors. In accordance with this requirement, Afghan United Bank shall withhold two percent (2%) tax from all gross invoices to Afghan contracts under this Agreement with active AISA or Ministry of Commerce license whereas the foreign located partners'/vendors companies bidding for this RFP shall include 7% tax and the mentioned percentage will be deductible upon invoice payment.

GOVERNMENT LICENSE & BANK ACCOUNTS:
Before the signing of the Agreement, the vendor/partner shall provide a copy of the organization's AISA or Ministry of Commerce license and TIN (Tax Identification Number). Foreign vendors/partners shall also submit the country issued license.

Vendor/Partner is required to have the Bank account with account details provided on the Bank letter head provided by the Bank partner is having account with.

SOURCE & ORIGIN:
Partner will provide all the hardware solutions from the main channel only, any unit supplied by partner originating from non-main channel sources is subject to penalty.

INSPECTION:
All the hardware units are subject to inspection and approval of the Afghan United Bank Information Technology Department.

SIMILAR CONTRACTS:
Partner/vendor is required to provide the proof of the implementation of similar contracts. Afghan United Bank based on the requirement will contact the organizations for the legitimacy of the provided proofs.

TECH SPECIFICATION:

Category	Specifications	Qty
Licensing	Symantec Endpoint Protection & Security	200

Partner/vendor is required to submit the quote in their formal proposal format and provide all the necessary information regarding the above mentioned.

EVALUATION PROCESS:
The proposals will be evaluated in terms of fairness, cost-consciousness, and best value to the Afghan United Bank considering both technical and cost factors.

Afghan United Bank may reject any of the proposals submitted for good cause. Afghan United Bank may negotiate price or service provided in terms with one or more of the bidders if it feels that negotiations would improve the chances that Afghan United Bank receives a better quotation.

RFP OTHER TERMS & CONDITIONS:

Evaluation Criteria	1. Similar experience for supply of requested services
	2. Compliance with technical specification stated in the RFQ
Delivery	DDP (Local Partners) If Hardware – Software Lic via Email
Delivery Term	25 Days from the issuance of PO
Warranty	NA
Payment Terms	Negotiable
Validity of Quotation	60 days
Completeness of quotation.	Partial bids not allowed
Delivery Point for Proposals:	IT Procurement Department - Afghan United Bank Email Delivery
Email Address	it.procurement@afghanunitedbank.com

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Proposals must be submitted to the above-mentioned address no later than 10-April-2023 11:00 AM.
Bids/Proposals received after the due date will notes be considered further.