



Call for Expression of Interest

Procurement of Seeds for FAO: Ref. (CEI/PAK/01/2009 - Seeds)

The Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) for its operations in Pakistan is interested in identifying potential national and regional seed enterprises that produce cereals, legumes and vegetables seeds. In this context, FAO is publishing this Expression of Interest.

FAO invites potential vendors to express their interest in supplying the above indicated items. The Expression of Interest should specify FAO reference number "CEI/PAK/01/2009-Seeds" and must be received **no later than Close of Business COB 02 March 2009**.

The Expression of Interest must include the following:

- A profile of the company, association or institution.
- Confirmation of relevant supply experience for the required items.
- References of at least three customers from the past three years.
- Contact details of the person to whom the bidding documents must be sent.

The subsequent bidding document and awarded purchase order(s) will be issued in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of FAO and in compliance with FAO General Terms and Conditions.

Interested potential suppliers should forward their Expression of Interest including above information to:

- 1) BY E-MAIL: : AFSP-Purchasing-Unit-Field@fao.org
- 2) BY FAX: +39 06 5705 3027 or +39 06 5705 4556
- 3) BY MAIL:

Chief, Procurement Service (AFSP)
Room B-033
CEI/Seeds/01/2009-Seeds
Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
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00153 Rome - Italy

When replying to this email, please note the following:

1. Please indicate if the seed are of NON-HYBRID or HYBRID crops
2. Please indicate if the seed contains GMO .
3. Please indicate seeds you supply including crop, species and varieties.
4. Please indicate your mode of seed production and supply by giving applicable information
 - a. Your maximum seed crop area (----Ha);
 - b. Number of contract growers working with you (...).
 - c. Your maximum inventory capacity (...Tons)
5. For each crop species in your inventory, indicate in which country(ies) of the region is the variety released, adapted and widely grown.
6. Please indicate if the seeds are certified/uncertified commercial seeds and the quality parameter of the seeds including
 - a. Minimum physical purity %
 - b. Minimum varietal purity %
 - c. Minimum germination % and
 - d. Maximum moisture content %.

7. Please indicate the number of tonnes/kgs you could make available at your premises 30 days after receipt of an eventual order;
8. Please note that this is not a tender, and does not constitute any engagement on the part of FAO in terms of procuring seeds. Based on the information received FAO will later contact suppliers through a formal tender invitation. The eventual procurement will be undertaken on FCA/DDU Inco terms 2000 basis.
9. Please ensure that NO financial information is included in your response.
10. Please express your interest by replying to this request before COB Monday 02 March 2009.