



WEST AFRICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION  
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## WEST AFRICAN HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WAHO)

**Countries: Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Guinea Bissau, Senegal and The Gambia**

### **Support for the West African Health Organization to strengthen Epidemiological Surveillance and Laboratory Systems**

#### **Call for International Bids (ICB) N° ICB/PROALAB-WAHO/2024/003**

1. On the basis of a financing agreement between the German development bank KfW and ECOWAS, represented by WAHO (West African Health Organization), the German government, through KfW, has allocated a budget to the project "Strengthening epidemiological services and health systems in ECOWAS countries". The aim of this program is to use part of the funds to support WAHO's efforts to improve epidemiological surveillance systems at national and regional level. Indeed, the overall objective is to better protect the population of the ECOWAS region against epidemic diseases, by strengthening laboratory operations in five countries (Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Guinea Bissau, Senegal and The Gambia).
2. The project supported by GFA Consulting Group, Hamburg, Federal Republic of Germany, in cooperation with Fondation Mérieux, Lyon, France, have signed a consortium agreement under this KfW-funded project to support 14 National and Regional Reference Laboratories in five countries in Ghana (x3), Guinea Conakry (3), Guinea Bissau (x1), Senegal (x5) & The Gambia (x2) and to procure program requirements financed from KfW revenues in accordance with the "Guidelines for Procurement of Consultancy, Works, Facilities, Goods and Non-Consultancy Services in Financial Cooperation with Partner Countries", section 2. 1.1. International competitive bidding" <https://www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de/Service/Procurement-Regulations/>
3. WAHO has applied for funding from KfW towards the cost of the project "Support to the West African Health Organization for the strengthening of epidemiological surveillance systems", and intends to allocate part of the proceeds to the payments foreseen in the contract(s) for supply and installation of laboratory equipment, Reagents & Consumables for National and Regional Reference Laboratories in five ECOWAS countries (Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Guinea Bissau, Senegal and The Gambia), in 4 Lots:

#### **Ghana**

- Influenza laboratory, Noguchi Medical Research Institute
- National Meningitis Laboratory
- National Public Health Reference Laboratory

#### **Senegal**

- National Public Health Laboratory
- National Laboratory for Livestock and Veterinary Research – LNERV
- Institut Pasteur Dakar
- Bacteriology Virology Laboratory



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- St. Louis Regional Laboratory

#### **The Gambia**

- National Veterinary Laboratory
- National Public Health Laboratories

#### **Guinea Conakry**

- Laboratory of the National Institute of Public Health
- Central Veterinary and Diagnostic Laboratory
- Virology Research Center - Viral Hemorrhagic Fever Laboratory

#### **Guinea Bissau**

- National Public Health Laboratory

4. WAHO invites eligible bidders to submit bids for the supply and installation of laboratory equipment, reagents and consumables for fourteen national and regional reference laboratories listed above in Ghana, Guinea Conakry, Guinea Bissau, Senegal and The Gambia, on the basis of competitive bidding.

5. Tender will be by means of the International Qualified Tender procedure as specified in the KfW Procurement Guidelines ("KfW Guidelines") and the relevant WAHO regulations. The tender is open to ECOWAS and international companies that meet the eligibility criteria.

6. The tender includes the following lots

- Lot 1. Laboratory Equipment for PCR and Immuno Assay
- Lot 2. General Laboratory Equipment
- Lot 3. Products and Materials for Laboratory
- Lot 4. Reagents & Consumables

7. Bidders may bid for one of the above lots or for all eight lots. However, bidders must bid for all items in total quantity in any lot selected, a partial bid for a lot is not acceptable. For bids on all four lots, encrypted bids must be submitted separately for each lot.

8. Interested eligible Tenderers may consult the tender documents free of charge on the West African Health Organization website <https://data.wahooas.org/tenders/tenders/list> from July 18, 2024 at 2:00 pm UTC. Requests for further information should be sent to the following address: [procurement@diffusion.wahooas.org](mailto:procurement@diffusion.wahooas.org)

#### **Tender submission**

9. Les Tenders must be written in French and must be password protected. Tenders must be submitted electronically to <https://data.wahooas.org/tenders/tenders/list> no later than 1:00 pm UTC on September 18, 2024. Any bid submitted after September 18, 2024 at 1:00 pm UTC will de facto be rejected. Tenders submitted by any means other than those indicated above will not be accepted, opened or considered.



10. Bidders must check the Inbox and SPAM files for the automatic acknowledgement of receipt implemented by the bid submission platform set up at WAHO and ask any questions for clarification or assistance via the email address defined in point 8 above. For each lot, bidders are required to submit a bid guarantee and a line of credit issued by a bank or authorized financial institution (guarantor) in the amount of:

Lots	Amount of bid bond	Line of credit amount
Lot 1	53,000.00€	See Section III. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria
Lot 2	88,000.00€	See Section III. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria
Lot 3	33,500.00€	See Section III. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria
Lot 4	16,800.00€	See Section III. Qualification and Evaluation Criteria

11. Bidders remain bound by their bids for a maximum period of 180 days from the date of bid opening.

### Submit Password and Open Offers

12. Bids will be opened online on **on September 18, 2024 from 1:30 pm UTC**. Bidders are invited to participate through the following Microsoft Teams link: [https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting\\_NGFLZmE1NzgtYTRiYS00N2MwLWI5NWetYWM5MGE3NzA2MDFk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2237c589cc-7478-4068-9722-d66cdfb50052%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22c838db2a-c42e-468f-9a02-c5c713c33b4c%22%7d](https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-join/19%3ameeting_NGFLZmE1NzgtYTRiYS00N2MwLWI5NWetYWM5MGE3NzA2MDFk%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a%2237c589cc-7478-4068-9722-d66cdfb50052%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%22c838db2a-c42e-468f-9a02-c5c713c33b4c%22%7d)

13. The Password submission form is required for the bid opening and bidders will be able to submit it on September 18, 2024 between **08:00 am and 1:00 pm**. The Password submission form will be submitted (completed) using the same method of bid submission at: <https://data.wahooas.org/tenders/tenders/list> on the dedicated tab (Upload Bid Password).

### Important dates

14. Bidders should note the dates below:

**September 18, 2024, 1:00 pm UTC: Deadline for submission of bids**

**September 18, 2024, 08-1:00 pm UTC : Submission of passwords for qualification documents**

**September 18, 2024, 1:30 pm : Tender opening**

The opening date and the date for submitting passwords for opening the second envelope will be communicated to Bidders who are considered qualified after the first stage. The qualification documents and the technical and financial offers must be encrypted separately.

As the authority competent to accept the bid, the Purchaser reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids without giving any reason. The award of the contract will be subject to the approval of the Purchaser and the No Objection Notice from KfW, Federal Republic of Germany.

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