

**INVITATION TO BID FOR THE SERVICES OF A TOUR  
OPERATOR FOR THE ISLAND PHILIPPINES CARAVAN**  
*(TPB-ITB No. 2021-012)*

1. The *Tourism Promotions Board (TPB)*, through the Corporate Budget FY 2021, intends to apply the sum of **Three Million Fifty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Pesos Only (Php3,057,600.00)**, inclusive of all applicable taxes, being the ABC to payments under the contract for the **Services of a Tour Operator for the Island Philippines Caravan**. Bids received in excess of the ABC shall be automatically rejected at bid opening.

**Lot 1**

**Bicol Express FUNdemic Caravan**  
September 24-30, 2021

**Amount**  
Php 1,341,300.00

**Lot 2**

Zamboanga, Basilan, and Tawi-Tawi  
November 11-17, 2021

**Amount**  
Php1,716,300.00

2. The TPB now invites bids for the above Procurement Project. Delivery and or Coordination of the Services of the winning bidder is required **to commence one (1) day after the acceptance of the Notice to Proceed**. The description of an eligible bidder is contained in the Bidding Documents, particularly, in Section II (Instructions to Bidders).
3. Bidding will be conducted through open competitive bidding procedures using a non-discretionary “*pass/fail*” criterion as specified in the 2016 revised Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act (RA) No. 9184.

Bidding is restricted to Filipino citizens/sole proprietorships, partnerships, or organizations with at least sixty percent (60%) interest or outstanding capital stock belonging to citizens of the Philippines, and to citizens or organizations of a country the laws or regulations of which grant similar rights or privileges to Filipino citizens, pursuant to RA No. 5183.

4. Prospective Bidders may obtain further information from **TPB – Bids and Awards Committee Secretariat** and inspect the Bidding Documents at the address given below from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday excluding holidays.
5. A complete set of Bidding Documents may be acquired by interested Bidders on **August 10 to August 31, 2021 (10:00 a.m.)** from the given address and website(s) below *and upon payment of the applicable fee for the Bidding Documents, pursuant to the latest Guidelines issued by the GPPB*. The Procuring Entity shall allow the

bidder to present its proof of payment for the fees by sending of scan copy of Official Receipt or by showing the Official Receipt personally to TPB-BAC Secretariat.

The cost of bidding documents shall correspond to the ABC range as indicated in the table below. This shall be the maximum amount of fee that procuring entities can set for the acquisition of bidding documents.

| Approved Budget for the Contract    | Maximum Cost of Bidding Documents<br>(in Philippine Peso) |
|-------------------------------------|---|
| 500,000 and below                   | 500.00  |
| More than 500,000 up to 1 Million   | 1,000.00  |
| More than 1 Million up to 5 Million | 5,000.00  |

6. The TPB will hold a Pre-Bid Conference<sup>1</sup> on **August 19, 2021, 3:00 p.m.** through video conferencing or webcasting *via Zoom Link* which shall be open to prospective bidders
7. Bids must be duly received by the BAC Secretariat through online or electronic submission as indicated below, on or before **August 31, 2021, 10:00 a.m.** Late bids shall not be accepted.

Instructions for submission of bid/proposal:

Bidders are instructed to submit in electronic bid submission, to ensure the security, integrity, and confidentiality of the bids submitted the bidders must submit their bid in **password-protected** compressed archive folder.

**1<sup>st</sup> Sub Folder Technical Component Folder includes the following scan copy:**

***Class “A” Documents***

**Legal Documents**

- (a) Valid PhilGEPS Registration Certificate (Platinum Membership) (all pages);  
**or**
- (b) Registration certificate from Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) for sole proprietorship, or Cooperative Development Authority (CDA) for cooperatives or its equivalent document,  
**and**
- (c) Mayor’s or Business permit issued by the city or municipality where the principal place of business of the prospective bidder is located, or the equivalent document for Exclusive Economic Zones or Areas;  
**and**
- (d) Tax clearance per E.O. No. 398, s. 2005, as finally reviewed and approved by the Bureau of Internal Revenue (BIR).

**Technical Documents**

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<sup>1</sup> May be deleted in case the ABC is less than One Million Pesos (PhP1,000,000) where the Procuring Entity may not hold a Pre-Bid Conference.

- (e) Statement of the prospective bidder of all its ongoing government and private contracts **within five (5) years**, including contracts awarded but not yet started, if any, whether similar or not similar in nature and complexity to the contract to be bid; **and**
- (f) Statement of the bidder's Single Largest Completed Contract (SLCC) similar to the contract to be bid **within five (5) years**, contract should at least be **fifty percent (50%) of the ABC**; **and**
- (g) Bid Security. Notarized Bid Securing Declaration or Cash or cashier's/Manager's check. If in the form of a Surety Bond, submit also a certification issued by the Insurance Commission;  
**or**  
Notarized Bid Securing Declaration; **and**
- (h) Conformity with the Technical Specifications; **and**
- (i) Notarized Omnibus Sworn Statement (OSS) Revised issue;  
**and** if applicable, Notarized Secretary's Certificate in case of a corporation, partnership, or cooperative; or Special Power of Attorney of all members of the joint venture giving full power and authority to its officer to sign the OSS and do acts to represent the Bidder.
- (j) The Supplier's audited financial statements, showing, among others, the Supplier's total and current assets and liabilities, stamped "received" by the BIR or its duly accredited and authorized institutions, for the preceding calendar year which should not be earlier than two (2) years from the date of bid submission; **and**
- (k) The prospective bidder's computation of Net Financial Contracting Capacity (NFCC), computation must be at least equal to ABC;  
**or**  
A committed Line of Credit from a Universal or Commercial Bank in lieu of its NFCC computation.

***Class "B" Documents***

- (l) If applicable, a duly signed joint venture agreement (JVA) in case the joint venture is already in existence;  
**or**  
duly notarized statements from all the potential joint venture partners stating that they will enter into and abide by the provisions of the JVA in the instance that the bid is successful.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sub Folder: Financial Component Folder include scan copy of:**

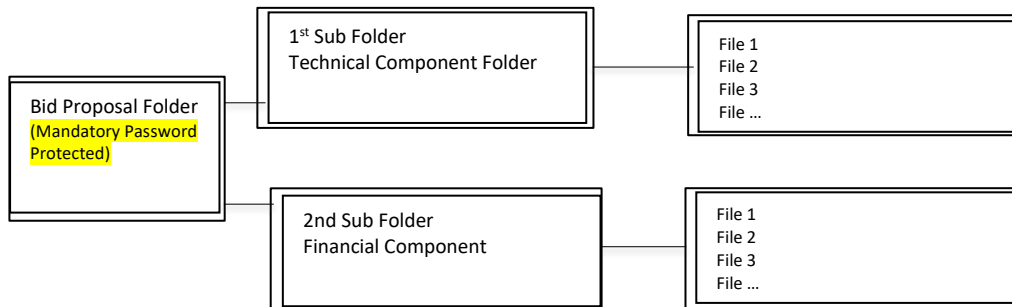
- (m) Duly signed and accomplished Financial Bid Form; **and**
- (n) Duly signed and accomplished Price Schedule(s).

Please submit your electronic bid/proposal to all of the following email add:  
[bac\\_sec@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph), cc [soc\\_torres@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:soc_torres@tpb.gov.ph),

Request a confirmation if your submitted bid was received.

The Bidders are also instructed to submit the hard copy of their bid proposal after

the Bid Opening to TPB BAC Secretariat.



Format for the subject title in the email for submission of Bid Proposal Documents:

**Link to Bid Proposal Documents\_Island Philippines Caravan Lot 1 ITB No. 2021-012**

**Link to Bid Proposal Documents\_Island Philippines Caravan Lot 2 ITB No. 2021-012**

**Note: for bidders to submit for Lot 1 and Lot 2, submit your proposal separately**

The passwords for accessing the files will be disclosed by the Bidders only during the actual opening of the bids which may be done in person or face-to-face through video conferencing, webcasting or similar technology. Bidder's representative/s are instructed to attend the Bid Proposal Opening.

The timestamp as reflected on the BAC Secretariats' official email shall be the basis of the official time the link/document is received.

For Bidders intend to submit quotations/proposal for more than 1 Lot: Submit your quotation / proposal separately, (1 complete quotation/proposal for the first Lot and complete quotation/proposal for other Lots) and send to official email address separately.

8. All Bids must be accompanied by a bid security in any of the acceptable forms and in the amount stated in **ITB** Clause 14.
9. Bid opening shall be on **August 31, 2021, 3:00 p.m.** via *Zoom Link*. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders' representatives who choose to attend the activity.
10. TPB will request the password or passcode from the bidders during the bid opening, Bidders are instructed to attend the Bid Opening.
11. The TPB reserves the right to reject any and all bids, declare a failure of bidding, or not award the contract at any time prior to contract award in accordance with Sections 35.6 and 41 of the 2016 revised IRR of RA No. 9184, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected bidder or bidders.

12. For further information, please refer to:

*Ms. Eloisa A. Romero / Mr. Socrates G. Torres*  
*BAC Secretariat, Administrative Department*  
***Tourism Promotions Board***  
*4th Floor Legaspi Towers 300, Roxas Boulevard, Manila*  
*Tel. Nos. 02-525-7312/02 525-9318 loc. 214/215*  
*Email at [bac\\_sec@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph), [soc\\_torres@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:soc_torres@tpb.gov.ph)*

13. You may visit the following websites:  
For downloading of Bidding Documents: [www.tpb.gov.ph](http://www.tpb.gov.ph)  
For online bid submission: [bac\\_sec@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:bac_sec@tpb.gov.ph),  
cc, [soc\\_torres@tpb.gov.ph](mailto:soc_torres@tpb.gov.ph)

*August 9, 2021*

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***Atty. Venancio C. Manuel III***  
*Chairperson*  
*Bids and Award Committee*