

Request for Proposals – Post Trade Gateway

Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (“HKEX”) has decided to build the Next Generation Post Trade Gateway (PTG) platform, which will serve as the external facing communication platform for the post trade area. It will be an important component within the Next Generation (NG) Post Trade Platform, acting as a communication platform for various business applications of the NG Platform. HKEX have conducted an evaluation of possible software solutions and have designed a solution based on MuleSoft and Solace PubSub+ subject to final approval. HKEX will therefore be inviting proposals for the supply software/hardware, build, implementation, and initial maintenance of this new platform. In addition, HKEX will procure professional services to support establishment of a HKEX Post Trade Gateway Centre of Excellence, which will be responsible for developing and maintaining the platform in the future.

Vendors should be aware of the following minimum criteria to qualify as a recipient for the forthcoming Request for Proposal (RFP):

1. Respondents must have existing reseller agreements with both MuleSoft and Solace, and also document relevant projects where both products have been involved;
2. Respondents must have the ability to provide enterprise level support in the Asia-Pacific time-zone;
3. Respondents must be able to conduct all business in English;

4. Respondents must be willing to act as a single Prime Contractor and take full responsibility of implementation and support, i.e. that any peripheral contracts are the responsibility of the Prime Contractor;
5. Respondents must be able to provide a pool of expertise (preferably onsite where appropriate) for business analysis, technical analysis, architecture design, application development, quality assurance/testing, production implementation, and on-going technical support for 1-year post-implementation with 24/7 capability;
6. Respondents must be willing to provide descriptions and references for key human resources. These must be submitted to and approved by HKEX; and
7. Respondents must have the ability to integrate the platform with HKEX systems and external market participants.

Interested parties must e-mail an indication of interest along with a statement demonstrating compliance with the above criteria together with supporting details to ebidding6@hkex.com.hk on or before **18:00 on 17th December 2019 (Tuesday)**.

Only shortlisted vendors will be invited to submit an RFP. The formal opening and closing dates will be announced shortly after the closing of this submission period.

HKEX may include additional criteria for acceptance of RFP recipients without notification to vendors. HKEX has the sole discretion in selecting RFP recipients. The rationale behind the selection shall remain confidential throughout and after the conclusion of RFP.