REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

20 August 2026

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) - HQ26NF239 FOR THE PROVISION OF A) DEDICATED RIVER CARGO VESSELS, AND B) SPEED BOATS, INCLUDING SPARE PARTS AND THE RELATED SERVICES.

Closing on August 31 2026 at 13:00 hrs (Dubai Time)

A. Background

1. The United Nations World Food Programme hereinafter referred to as the "WFP", with its Headquarters located in Via C.G. Viola, 68/70, 00148 Rome, Italy is the leading humanitarian organization saving lives and changing lives, delivering food assistance in emergencies and working with communities to improve nutrition and build resilience by assisting almost 100 million people in around 83 countries each year. About 17,000 people work for the organization, most of them in remote areas, directly serving the hungry poor.
2. The WFP HQ seeks to purchase the Dedicated River Cargo Vessels & Speed Boats including Spare Parts and related services for South Sudan.
3. World Food Programme is an organization known worldwide for supply of food aid to the most vulnerable population in a country. WFP, to achieve its mandate of eradicating hunger, must deliver food to remotest locations, at reduced costs and carbon emissions, in countries where road infrastructure is devastating. Deliveries by road means driving though muddy roads, mountainous passes, swamps, rivers and even lakes. Basically, road infrastructure in such countries is either extremely poor or does not exist. To overcome these obstacles of road transport in the harshest environments, WFP is looking for a supplier to achieve its goals.
4. WFP invites eligible suppliers to express their interest in providing the requested goods.

B. The purpose of this EOI

5. The purpose of this request for EOI is to identify suppliers with verified technical and financial capacity to provide the goods. Eligible suppliers will be invited to participate in the bidding process for the proposed tender.
6. Eligibility to participate in the proposed tender will be determined on the basis of companies' qualifications and potential to supply the required goods and services.
7. After the deadline for submission of responses has passed, WFP will evaluate responses received and will notify eligible participants of the outcome of the evaluation.

C. How to prepare and submit your Expression of Interest

8. In order to participate in the pre-qualification exercise, companies are required to provide the following:
   The filled in EOI Response Form, which includes:
   - Table 1. WFP Requirements
   - Table 2. Supplier Information;
   - Table 3. Supplier Financial Status;
   - Table 4. Supplier Relevant Experience;
   - Signatory by the authorized company representative and company stamp.
9. All supporting documentation listed above shall be prepared in accordance with the instructions provided and sent by email to Dubai.Procurement@wfp.org .
10. WFP will not consider incomplete or unsigned submissions. All responses and supporting documentation received will be treated as strictly confidential and will not be made available to the public.
11. This request for EOI does not constitute a solicitation. WFP reserves the right to change or cancel this procurement process or any of its requirements at any time during the process; any such action will be communicated to all participants.
12. Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us at Dubai.Procurement@wfp.org .

Yours sincerely,

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EOI RESPONSE FORM

TABLE I. WFP REQUIREMENTS

A. Company / Organization's competencies/ capacities			
	List of WFP requirements/evaluation criteria	**Yes**	**Comments**
1	**Company's legal status:** Company is legally registered and authorized to conduct business in its country(ies) of operation.	☐	
2	**Business experience:** Minimum three (3) years of continuous operation in the maritime, inland waterway transport, vessel manufacturing, vessel leasing, vessel operations, or related sectors.	☐	
3	**Company status:** Manufacturer, vessel owner/operator, authorized distributor, leasing company, shipyard, consortium, or other entity with demonstrated relevant capabilities.	☐	
4	**Lot 1: Dedicated River Cargo Vessels** **Interested companies should demonstrate:** • **Experience in the design, manufacture, ownership, operation, leasing, management, or maintenance of cargo vessels, barges, push boats, or similar inland waterway assets.** • **Experience operating or supporting river transport services in developing, remote, or logistically challenging environments.** • **Relevant experience supporting humanitarian organizations, government agencies, commercial logistics providers, or industries such as energy, construction, mining, or infrastructure development.** • **Availability of technical support, spare parts, maintenance services, crew training, and/or vessel management services, as applicable.** • **Demonstrated capability to mobilize and support vessel operations at national, regional, or international level.** • **Evidence of relevant contracts completed within the last five years.**	☐	

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	A. Company / Organization's competencies/ capacities		
5	**For Lot 2 Speed Boats** **Interested companies should demonstrate:** • Experience in manufacture, operation, leasing, supply, or maintenance of speed boats or similar riverine craft. • Experience supporting passenger transport, humanitarian operations, emergency response, security, monitoring, assessment, or patrol activities. • Availability of spare parts, maintenance support, and operator training. • Demonstrated capability to operate in remote and challenging environments. • Evidence of relevant contracts completed within the last five years.	☐	
7	**Please indicate the lot(s) for which your company wishes to express interest** **Lot 1 only;**	☐	
8	**Please indicate the lot(s) for which your company wishes to express interest** **Lot 2 only**	☐	
9	**Please indicate the lot(s) for which your company wishes to express interest** **Both lots**	☐	
10	**Experience in delivering vessels, vessel operations, or related support services in remote, riverine, or logistically challenging environments will be considered an asset.**	☐	

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TABLE II. SUPPLIER INFORMATION

B. Company / Organization's Background Information			
1	Legal Name of Company/Organization:		
2	Full address:		
3	E-mail address:		
4	Website address:		
4	Telephone:		Fax:
5	Contact person, title:		Tel./E-mail of contact person:
6	Registration with UNGM	Yes ☐ No ☐	UNGM No.
7	Type of Business	☐ Corporate/ Limited ☐ Partnership ☐ Other (specify):	
8	Goods / Services:		
9	Company/Organization Business Registration Number:		Date of Registration:
10	Additional company/organization background information: [If applicable, insert not more than 100 words]		

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TABLE III. SUPPLIER FINANCIAL STATUS

C. Company / Organization's Financial Status	
Item	**Value USD**
Gross Turnover [Insert year]	
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Maximum contract value in relation to which your Company can be engaged:	
USD 0 – 30,000	☐
USD 30,000 – 100,000	☐
USD 100,000 – 500,000	☐
above USD 500,000	☐
Maximum "Bank Guarantee" amount available to the Company/Organization	
Last two years audited accounts or alternative assessed within WFP's discretion are attached to prove the information stated above	☐

TABLE IV. SUPPLIER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

List at least 4 contracts in the last two years relevant to the supply of [Insert description of goods and/or services concerned].

D. Company / Organization's Relevant Experience				
Commenced (Month / Year)	**Completed (Month / Year)**	**Type of Contract**	**Total Value (USD)**	**Client**

Provide CVs of senior staff (no more than three) [if applicable].

TABLE V. SIGNATORY & ORGANIZATION STAMP

E. Signatory	
Name of Company/Organization:	
Name of the authorized representative:	Signature:
Title:	Date: