

Invitation for Tenders

The International Science and Technology Center (ISTC) is an intergovernmental organization connecting scientists with their peers and research organizations in other countries. The ISTC Headquarters is in Astana, Kazakhstan. Current member governments include Armenia, the European Union, Georgia, Japan, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Norway, Tajikistan, and the United States. Scientists from nearly 100 countries have participated in ISTC activities.

ISTC facilitates international science projects and assists the global scientific and business community to source and engage scientists and institutes that develop or possess an excellence of scientific know-how. Under the Agreement Continuing the International Science and Technology Center (ISTC), signed in 2015 the ISTC operates globally from its Headquarters in Astana, Kazakhstan. The ISTC was originally established in Moscow by international agreement in November 1992 as a nonproliferation program. ISTC coordinates the efforts of numerous governments, international organizations, and private sector industries, providing scientists from the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and Georgia and other countries with new opportunities for sustainable, peaceful employment. The current Parties to ISTC are Armenia, the European Union, Georgia, Japan, Kazakhstan, the Republic of Korea, Kyrgyzstan, Norway, Tajikistan, and the United States. ISTC activities fall in two broad categories: research projects, which employ scientists in the development of new science and technology (S&T), and Supplemental Programs, which include workshops and other events to integrate scientists in the global S&T and industrial communities; training. In the 20 years ISTC has been active over 70,000 scientists in more than 760 research institutes spread across CIS and Georgia have been engaged in ISTC projects and activities.

The ISTC is currently carrying out preparations for the EXPO 2025 Expo 2025 Osaka, Kansai, Japan.

The ISTC (hereinafter referred to as the Contracting Authority), hereby invites you as a potential supplier to submit your tender for the procurement of services:

Lot 1: Design and Construction of the EXPO Booth

Lot 2: Staffing Services

as described in the tender documents. The forthcoming tender will be open to firms and companies from all countries except for those under US, EU, UN, or Kazakhstani sanctions.

Before preparing the proposal, we kindly ask you to carefully read the tender documentation.

Your tender shall be valid for 180 calendar days and shall be submitted to:

ISTC, Turan Ave,46/1, Astana, Kazakhstan. Before 18:00 (Astana time), 24 September 2024 after which it will be examined and evaluated.

Companies interested in tendering are kindly asked to obtain the full tender documents from:

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