

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in duplicate are invited for **Contract No. SPS/TP/01/16C—Signature Project Scheme (Tai Po District)—Establishment of an Arts Centre by Retrofitting Tai Po Government Secondary School (Public Works Programme Item No. 69RE)**.

The works mainly comprise the basic refurbishment works, re-partitioning of the school premises into offices and various types of function rooms. The construction floor area is about 8 800 square metres. The works are scheduled to commence in July 2017 and will take about 15 months to complete.

Tenders must be clearly marked with the tender reference and the subject of the tender on the outside of the envelope (but should not bear any indication which may relate the tender to the tenderer), addressed to the Chairman, Public Works Tender Board, and placed in the Public Works Tender Box located in Room 4128f on the 41st Floor of the Queensway Government Offices, 66 Queensway, Hong Kong, before 12.00 noon on Friday, 7 April 2017. Late tenders will not be accepted. If a black rainstorm warning signal or tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 or above is in effect at any time between 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon on Friday, 7 April 2017, the tender closing time will be postponed to 12.00 noon on the first working day after the black rainstorm warning signal has ceased to be in effect or the tropical cyclone warning signal No. 8 is lowered.

Forms of tender and further particulars are obtainable from Leigh & Orange Ltd., 801, Dorset House, Taikoo Place, 979 King's Road, Hong Kong. (Contact Person: Mr. Pete NG/ Ms. Ronnie SIT, Telephone No.: (852) 2899 9456/2899 9439, Fax No.: (852) 2503 4936, Email address: (13016-LO@leighorange.com)).

Selective tendering is adopted. Contractors on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group A or Group B for Buildings Category or joint ventures with participation of local and/or overseas contractors with the lead participant or the major shareholder being on the above-mentioned approved list and category who also meet the qualifications and conditions for participation stipulated in the tender documents are invited to tender.

Contractors not yet on the List of Approved Contractors for Public Works in Group A or Group B for Buildings Category may also submit a tender if they submit a request for participation together with a duly completed application for inclusion in the above-mentioned approved list/category by 21 March 2017 to Project Manager of Tai Po District Office at 2nd Floor Tai Po Government Offices Building, 1 Ting Kok Road, Tai Po, New Territories, Hong Kong, meet the qualifications and conditions for participation, and the application for inclusion is duly approved on or before the tender closing date. Details for making the application are available at:—

http://www.devb.gov.hk/en/construction_sector_matters/contractors/index.html

Contractors will be liable to have their names removed from the approved list if they fail or refuse to implement an accepted tender.

This tender is covered by the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization and will not involve electronic auction. This notice also serves as a summary notice required under the Agreement on Government Procurement of the World Trade Organization.

A charge will be levied for delivery of tender documents where the delivery of tender documents is requested by a tenderer. A written request must be made.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region does not bind itself to accept any tender irrespective of whether the tender is the lowest bid or where the assessment of tenders is based on a marking scheme or formula approach, the tender with the highest overall score.

The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region reserves the right to negotiate with any tenderer about the terms of the offer.

Details of the award of this contract will be published on the Internet at (http://www.gld.gov.hk/eng/services_2_c.htm).