ZNT 01 EDTEA 15/16: REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A PROGRAMME COORDINATING UNIT FOR THE SWISS STATE SECRETARIAT FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT PROGRAMME IN THE ILEMBE DISTRICT.

PROGRAMME BRIEF

Tenders are invited from suitably qualified service providers to provide project management and technical services for the above contract. The programme is funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO) and co-funded by Ilembe District, KwaDukuza and Mandeni Local Municipalities. The programme is administered through the KZN Department of Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental Affairs (EDTEA).

The Programme aims to provide technical assistance, capacity development support and funds for piloting selected activities. Specific programme interventions include:

- Partnering with the three primary partner municipalities to improve public financial governance, municipal infrastructure, policies and services for LED;
- Partnering with public and private sector stakeholders to enhance skills development and business support services; to improve the productivity and competitiveness of local SMMEs; and to cluster SMMEs for market linkages, expansion and employment growth;
- Improving existing, and developing new partnership mechanisms between institutions, sectors and levels of government; and
- Connecting to national and provincial policy processes to ensure that the contextrelevance of the interventions and the dissemination of lessons learnt.

BID DOCUMENTS, ENQUIRIES & CLOSING TIMES

Bid documents will be available at the Ground Floor, Foyer, 270 Jabu Ndlovu Street, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal at a non-refundable fee of R 450.00 which must be paid prior to collection of the Bid Document. EDTEA will only release documents once the payment has been received. For administrative purposes the unique Reference No: 04003157 for this bid must appear on each of the receipts and bank deposit slips submitted. Please note that no documents will be distributed during the briefing session.

The departmental bank details:	
Bank name:	ABSA
Bank account:	4072482787
Branch code:	630525
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Account type:	Cheque Account

A **COMPULSORY** briefing session to be held on the 26 June 2015 at 10h00 at 2nd Floor Boardroom, 270 Jabu Ndlovu Street, Pietermaritzburg. Late service providers will not be permitted into the briefing session venue. Tenders will close on the 24 August 2015 at 11: am (South African time). Tenders must be hand delivered at 270 Jabu Ndlovu Street, Pietermaritzburg, 3200 at the reception area in the tender box marked. No late submission will be accepted.

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