

Request for Proposal issued by NJIT on Behalf of VALE and NJEDge.Net

NJEDge.Net, Inc. (“NJEDge.Net”), is a consortium organized by the New Jersey President’s Council pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:3B-8d, on behalf of its member institutions who consist of public research universities, state colleges and universities, two-year community colleges, and independent colleges, universities, and participating subscribers which include K-12 school districts and hospitals.

Virtual Academic Library Environment of New Jersey (“VALE”) is a consortium which is an unincorporated membership association consisting of 53 public and private college and university libraries, as well as the New Jersey State Library, all of which have come together to further excellence in learning and research through innovative and collaborative approaches to information resources and services. VALE is a subscribing partner of NJEDge.Net and almost all of the members of VALE are also members of NJEDge.Net.

New Jersey Institute of Technology (“NJIT”) is a public research university, legislatively established pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:64E-11 et seq. NJIT is a member of NJEDge.Net. Notwithstanding, NJIT and NJEDge.Net are separate and distinct legal entities.

Notice is hereby given that as a public service to the members of each of NJEDge.Net and VALE, NJIT is providing administrative support for the RFP and Proposals will be received by the Purchasing Department at NJIT *on behalf of VALE and NJEDge.Net*.

RFP Name	RFP Number	RFP Due Date & Time
Professional Services to Develop a Plan for the Organization and Operation of VALE’s Shared Integrated Library System	14-14	Sept 12, 2014 2:30pm

Any contract resulting from this RFP will be negotiated with representatives of VALE and NJEDge.Net and will be entered into with NJEDge.Net, as agent for VALE. NJIT will **not** be a party to the contract. Evaluation of the Proposals shall be conducted by volunteer committees comprised of select representatives of VALE members and NJEDge.Net members and selection of the successful proposer will be made by the NJEDge.Net VALE Review Committee who are volunteer representatives of members constituting the leadership of VALE and NJEDge.Net. **NJEDge.Net, as agent for VALE, reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, to accept or reject any portion(s) of any proposal, to waive informality or to accept a proposal that in its judgment will be in the best interest of VALE and NJEDge.Net.**

Proposal packages for the above contract will be available at NJIT Purchasing Department at 323 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Newark, New Jersey 07102, Room 550, Fenster Hall, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday on or after May 1, 2014. Packages may also be emailed upon request.

Proposers should send their submissions in sealed envelopes to NJIT, C/O Purchasing Department, Fenster Hall Room 550, 323 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd, Newark NJ 07102 until 2:30pm on the Proposal Due Date above.

“Contractors are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, C 127. (NJAC17:27)”

Every Contractor and Sub-Contractor shall comply with the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Laws of 1963, Chapter 150.

No proposer may withdraw his/her Proposal within sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

Questions concerning this statement and specifications should be directed to the Purchasing Department at NJIT, at 973-596-3070 or bidsrfps@njit.edu, which in turn, will obtain responses thereto from VALE and NJEDge.Net and disseminate the same to all proposers.