TENDER NOTICE

Pursuant to its mandate under the Communications Service Proclamation No. 1148/2019, the Ethiopian Communications Authority (ECA) announces:

THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR TWO NEW TELECOMMUNICATIONS LICENSES IN THE FEDERAL DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF ETHIOPIA

The Government of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia has laid out the framework for the liberalization and development of the Ethiopian telecommunications sector by facilitating the introduction of competition among local and international telecommunications operators, under the Communications Service Proclamation No. 1148/2019.

The objectives of the telecommunications sector reform are to expand reliable and accessible communications for all Ethiopians in order to enhance the economic and social development of the country and promote rapid economic transformation and growth. Greater connectivity will lead to improvements in the quality of life for Ethiopians and maximize the opportunities presented by the digital economy.

In support of this policy framework and objectives, the Ethiopian Communications Authority (ECA), as the regulator of the communications sector, intends to award **two nationwide full-service telecommunications licenses** through a competitive bidding process.

To this end, the ECA has launched the Request For Proposals for the award of these licenses, targeting world-class telecommunications operators to become the new license holders within Ethiopia's rapidly growing economy.

All details and instructions pertaining to the submission of proposals, including the qualification criteria and conditions for eligibility to participate, are described in the Request For Proposals. To show interest in receiving the Request For Proposals, **please send a** written request, before December 10th, 2020 to <u>contact@eca-</u> <u>ethiopia.com</u> or <u>telecomlicensebid@gmail.com</u>

A proposal made in accordance with the guidelines presented within the Request for Proposals documentation must be physically delivered to the following address, **no later than 10:00 a.m. East Africa Time (GMT+3)**, **on March 5th, 2021:**

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