

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)**

# (FOR ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2025)

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#### **ANNEX A - LETTER OF INVITATION**

The **Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP)**, a statutory regulatory body established under the PCATP Ordinance, 1983, invites proposals from reputable **Chartered Accountant Firms** for the **annual audit** of its financial statements for the fiscal year ending **30**<sup>th</sup> **June 2025**.

PCATP's financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable financial reporting standards and PCATP bye-laws. The audit must comply with **International Standards on Auditing (ISA)** and must be completed **by 30th November 2025**.

Firms will be evaluated based on the **Least Cost Method**, as per the criteria outlined in the RFP.

### Registrar

Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP),

Office Nos. 7–12, First Floor, Usman Centre, D-12 Markaz, Islamabad, Pakistan.

Phone: 051-6155552 – 4. Website: www.pcatp.org.pk, Email: registrar@pcatp.org.pk.



## ANNEX B - PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

## 1. Understanding of RFP

Firms are responsible for thoroughly understanding the RFP, including making inquiries if needed. PCATP reserves the right to disqualify any firm that fails to demonstrate sufficient understanding.

#### 2. Good Faith Statement

Information provided in this RFP is in good faith. PCATP assumes no liability for any errors or misinterpretations.

#### 3. Communication Protocol

All communication must be in writing. Verbal communication will not be considered binding.

#### Contact:

**Finance Manager C** 051-6155552

## 4. Proposal Submission Format

Submit a **single sealed package** with two separate sealed envelopes inside including:

- Technical Proposal
- Financial Proposal

Both envelopes must reach PCATP by 11:00 AM not later than 10th July 2025.

#### 5. Evaluation Process

- Technical proposals will be evaluated per criteria in **Annex E**.
- Minimum qualifying score: 70%
- Only technically qualified firms will have their financial proposals opened.

#### 6. Selection Criteria

The contract will be awarded to the **lowest-cost** technically qualified bidder.



## ANNEX C - SAMPLE LETTER OF INTENT

#### 1. Introduction

- Overview of firm's presence in Pakistan and Islamabad.
- · Capability to conduct audits.

## 2. Required Attachments

- Firm profile
- ICAP affiliation proof
- Past public sector audit experience (Annex G)
- Current public sector clients (Annex H)
- Islamabad non-public sector clients (Annex I)
- Partners in audit section (Annex J)
- Proof of Islamabad office
- Two-month audit assurance
- Undertaking of document authenticity
- Proof of FBR Active Taxpayer status



## ANNEX D - TERMS OF REFERENCE (TOR)

#### 1. Introduction

PCATP, established under the PCATP Ordinance, 1983, regulates architecture and town planning professions in Pakistan. The Council's head office is in Islamabad, with a regional office in Karachi.

## 2. Objectives

To conduct the statutory audit of PCATP's financial statements and review internal controls and compliance.

## 3. Scope of Work

#### Audit will cover:

- Accreditation & Registration: Compliance with policy, fee structure, and rate revisions.
- **Accounting**: Budget control, cash management, recordkeeping.
- **Human Resource**: Salary calculation, hiring, and personnel records.
- **Procurement**: Transparency and compliance in purchases.
- Information & Communication: Data security and information systems.
- General Administration: Vehicle usage, office security, and travel records.

### 4. Methodology

To be determined by the auditor.

#### 5. Access to Records

Auditors will have full access to financial records, policies, licensing agreements, and administrative documentation.

### 6. Deliverables

- Audit Report with Opinion
- Management Letter outlining weaknesses and recommendations

## 7. Timeline

Audit must be completed by 30th November 2025.



## ANNEX E - TECHNICAL & FINANCIAL EVALUATION CRITERIA

## Mandatory Requirements (Must be Fulfilled)

- 1. ICAP affiliation
- 2. Minimum 5 years' public sector audit experience
- 3. FBR Active Taxpayer status
- 4. Document authenticity undertaking
- 5. Submission of required annexes (G, H, I, J)
- 6. Islamabad office presence
- 7. Two-month audit completion assurance
- 8. Bid Securing Declaration (Annex L)

## Technical Evaluation (Weightage: 85%)

Criteria	Weight
Relevant Public Sector Audit Experience	30%
Team Expertise & Qualifications	20%
Technical Capacity & Compliance	15%
Work Plan & Timeliness	10%
References and Past Performance	10%

Note: Minimum qualifying marks: 70%

## Financial Evaluation (Weightage: 15%)

- Audit Fee
- Out-of-pocket expenses
- Taxes
- Total cost

### 4.2 FINANCIAL EVALUATION CRITERIA:

4.2.1 The firm offering most advantageous bid will be selected as already explained in this RFP document



**FINANCIAL BID FORM** 

From,
Contact No. (Mobile and Landline)
То,
Registrar
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Office Nos. 7–12, First Floor, Usman Centre, D-12 Markaz, Islamabad, Pakistan.
Phone: 051-6155552 – 4. Website: <a href="www.pcatp.org.pk">www.pcatp.org.pk</a> , Email: <a href="mailto:registrar@pcatp.org.pk">registrar@pcatp.org.pk</a>

ANNEX - F

Having read and understood the contents of RFP, Instructions, terms and conditions, I/we hereby submit (in separate sealed cover) our Financial Bid for the audit of PCATP for year 2024-2025.

S. No	Fee	Amount in PKR
1.	Audit Fee	
2.	Out of Pocket Expense	
3.	Sales Tax	
4.	Total	

Sign and seal of offerer(s) and date

**Note:** Any changes/ revision in rate of sales tax by Government of Pakistan shall be adjusted/ accepted by both the parties as per Law and payment will be made to firm accordingly.



## ANNEX G - PAST PUBLIC SECTOR AUDIT EXPERIENCE

Sr. No	Client Name	Audit Years
1		
2		
3		

Note: Add more rows as required

## **ANNEX H - CURRENT PUBLIC SECTOR CLIENTS**

Sr. No	Client Name	Current Audit Year
1		
2		
3		

Note: Add more rows as required

## ANNEX I - CURRENT AUDIT CLIENTS (ISLAMABAD - NON-PUBLIC SECTOR)

Sr. No	Client Name	Audit Year	Location
1	,		
2			
3			

Note: Add more rows as required

# **ANNEX J - AUDIT PARTNERS IN FIRM**

Sr. No	Partner Name	ICAP Registration Number
1		
2		
3		

Note: Add more rows as required