

06 September 2024

**MR. NILO S. BLANCO**

Projects Director and Authorized Representative  
Thames International School Inc.  
27 Calle Industria Street  
Quezon City

### Notice of Award


Dear Mr. Blanco:

This is to inform you that your bid which was opened on 05 August 2024 for the **Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program (Bidding No. 24-014)** for the amount of **Five Million Pesos (Php5,000,000.00)**, is hereby accepted, subject to the approval of your contract. You may coordinate with **Undersecretary Rafaelita M. Aldaba** of the Competitiveness and Innovation Group (CIG) of this Department for the implementation of this project.

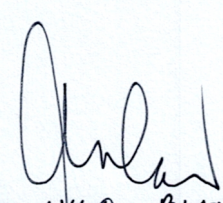
You are hereby required to provide within ten (10) days from receipt hereof the performance security in the form and in the amount prescribed by Section 39 of Republic Act No. 9184, otherwise known as the "Government Procurement Reform Act", and its implementing rules and regulations, as well as enter into a contract with DTI. Failure to provide the performance security or to enter into contract shall constitute sufficient ground for cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the bid security. You must submit the performance bond to the DTI-BAC Secretariat at G/F Trade and Industry Building, 361 Sen. Gil Puyat Avenue, Makati City.

Congratulations, and we look forward to a mutually beneficial working relationship with **Thames International School Inc.**

Very truly yours,



**ATTY. AGATON TEODORO O. UVERO**  
Assistant Secretary  
Head of Procuring Entity



Conforme: NILO BLANCO  
Date: 09 SEPT 2024

BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

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## BIDS AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

### RESOLUTION NO. 167, s. 2024

**A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING AWARD TO THAMES INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL INC. FOR THE CONSULTING SERVICE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF ROADMAPS IN STRENGTHENING THE CAPACITY OF INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY OF POTENTIAL UNESCO CREATIVE CITIES IN THE PHILIPPINES THROUGH THE INNOVATION AND CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURSHIP (ICE) PROGRAM  
(BIDDING NO. 24-014)**

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Trade and Industry – Bids and Awards Committee (DTI-BAC) conducted a public bidding for the **Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program**, pursuant to the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 9184 (Government Procurement Reform Act), with an Approved Budget for the Contract of **Five Million Pesos (Php5,000,000.00)** with Purchase Request No. 73778;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC caused the mandatory publication/posting of the invitation to bid for the said project on the following channels as prescribed by the IRR of RA 9184: PhilGEPS website, DTI website as well as in conspicuous places within and outside DTI premises;

A copy of the PhilGEPS posting is hereto attached, marked as Annex “A”, and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, three (3) sets of eligibility documents were submitted before the deadline on 13 June 2024 by the following bidders:

1. **IdeaSpace Ventures and QBO Innovation;**
2. **Thames International School Inc.; and**
3. **Launchgarage Inc.;**

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC opened the bid on 10 June 2024 via Zoom, using the mandatory principle of “pass/fail” or the presence/absence of eligibility documents, the DTI-BAC provisionally declared **all bidders** as **ineligible** for failure to submit an updated filing of Audited Financial Statement (AFS) under PhilGEPS Certificate of Platinum Registration and Membership;

15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024

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A copy of the minutes of the meeting is hereto attached, marked as Annex "B", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, in a letter dated 10 June 2024 which was received by the DTI-BAC Secretariat on 13 June 2024 *via* electronic mail, Mr. Paul Abraham C. Lozada, General Manager of Launchgarage Inc., sought reconsideration of the DTI-BAC's decision declaring them as ineligible due to the above-mentioned reason which was then denied by the DTI-BAC pursuant to BAC Resolution No. 96, s. 2024;

**WHEREAS**, in a letter dated 13 June 2024 which was received by the DTI-BAC Secretariat on 13 June 2024 *via* electronic mail, Mr. Jose Maria Fajardo, Executive Director of IdeaSpace Ventures and QBO Innovation or IdeaSpace Foundation Inc., sought reconsideration of the DTI-BAC's decision declaring them as ineligible due to the above-mentioned reason which was then denied by the DTI-BAC pursuant to BAC Resolution No. 106, s. 2024;

**WHEREAS**, in a letter dated 11 June 2024 which was received by the DTI-BAC Secretariat on 13 June 2024 *via* electronic mail, Mr. Nilo S. Blanco, Projects Director and Authorized Representative of Thames International School Inc., sought reconsideration of the DTI-BAC's decision declaring them as ineligible due to the above-mentioned reason which was then approved by the DTI-BAC pursuant to BAC Resolution No. 95, s. 2024;

The copies of Motion for Reconsideration (MR), BAC Resolutions, and Replies to the bidders are hereto attached, marked as Annex "C", "D", and "E", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC issued Bid Bulletin Nos. 1, 2 and 3 to announce amendment in the bidding documents prior to the Pre-bidding Conference;

The copies of Bid Bulletin Nos. 1, 2 and 3 are hereto attached, marked as Annex "F", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the TWG that was created for the project reported to the DTI-BAC on 01 July 2024 the results of the short listing that it conducted as follows:

<b>1. Thames International School Inc.</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>90%</b>
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**WHEREAS**, the cut-off score for inclusion in the short list is seventy percent (70%);

A copy of the evaluation is hereto attached, marked as Annex "G" and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the short-listed bidder was approved pursuant to BAC Resolution No. 122, s. 2024, and Notice of Eligibility and Short Listing was sent *via* electronic mail on 05 July 2024 to **Thames International School Inc.**;

The copies of the BAC Resolution, and Notice, are hereto attached, marked as Annex "H", and "I", and made an integral part hereof;

Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program  
(Bidding No. 24-014)  
15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC conducted a Pre-bidding Conference on 08 July 2024, using the Zoom video conferencing platform, pursuant to GPPB Resolution 09-2020, and participated by **Thames International School Inc.**;

A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is hereto attached, marked as Annex "J", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC issued Bid Bulletin No. 4 to announce amendment in the bidding documents prior to the Opening of Technical Documents;

A copy of Bid Bulletin No. 4 is hereto attached, marked as Annex "K", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC conducted the mandatory Opening of Technical Documents on 22 July 2024, using the Zoom video conferencing platform, pursuant to GPPB Resolution 09-2020 which was participated by **Thames International School Inc.**;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC opened the bid on 22 July 2024, using the mandatory principle of "pass/fail" or the presence/absence of technical documents, the DTI-BAC provisionally declared **Thames International School Inc.** as **eligible** for submitting complete technical proposal and subject for evaluation of the Technical Working Group;

A copy of the Minutes of the Meeting is hereto attached, marked as Annex "L", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the DTI-BAC issued Bid Bulletin No. 5 to announce amendment in the bidding documents prior to the Opening of Financial Documents;

A copy of Bid Bulletin No. 5 is hereto attached, marked as Annex "M", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the TWG that was created for the project reported to the DTI-BAC on 02 August 2024 the results of the technical evaluation that it conducted as follows:

**1. Thames International School Inc. - 84%**

**WHEREAS**, the cut-off score for the technical proposal is seventy percent (70%);

A copy of the evaluation is hereto attached, marked as Annex "N", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, on 05 August 2024, the DTI-BAC presented the result of the technical evaluation, followed by the opening of the financial envelopes with a weight of 0.15, and calculated as follows:

NAME OF BIDDER	Financial Proposal	Financial Score
Thames International School Inc.	PhP5,000,000.00	100.00

**WHEREAS**, total weighted technical and financial scores were calculated as follows:

NAME OF BIDDER	Technical	Financial	Total
Thames International School Inc.	71.40	15.00	86.40

The copies of the Minutes of the Meeting and Score Sheet/Abstract of Bids are hereto attached, marked as Annex "O" and "P", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Sec. 34.2 of the Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of RA 9184, and in order to conduct the Post Qualification, a "Notice of Single Rated Bid" was sent on 07 August 2024, and received on 08 August 2024 by **Thames International School Inc.**;

A copy of the Notice is hereto attached, marked as Annex "Q", and made an integral part hereof;

**WHEREAS**, the post-qualification was conducted on 12 August 2024;

A copy of the post-qualification report is hereto attached, marked as Annex "R", and made an integral part hereof;


**WHEREAS**, upon careful examination, validation and verification of the following: (1) eligibility documents, (2) technical and financial proposals, (3) evaluation of the TWG, and (4) evaluation of the company site, the bid submitted by **Thames International School Inc.**, was found to be responsive and compliant.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, we the Members of the Bids and Awards Committee **RESOLVE**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**:

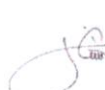
- 1) To declare **Thames International School Inc.** as the bidder with the **Single Rated and Responsive Bid** for the **"Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program"**; and
- 2) To recommend to the Head of Procuring Entity (HOPE) to award the contract for the **Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program** for a total contract price **Five Million Pesos (PhP5,000,000.00)** to **Thames International School Inc.**

**Consulting Service for the Development of Roadmaps in Strengthening the Capacity of Innovation and Creativity of Potential UNESCO Creative Cities in the Philippines through the Innovation and Creative Entrepreneurship (ICE) Program**  
(Bidding No. 24-014)  
15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024

**RESOLVED** at Makati City this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 2024.

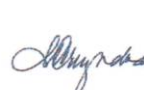


**KRISTIAN R. ABLAN**  
*Assistant Secretary*  
*Chairperson*



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*Director*  
*Vice-Chairperson*

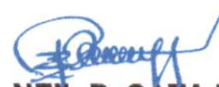


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**MARIA ASUNCION H. CRUZADA**  
*Director*  
*Member*



**ROBERT ALVIN T. ARCEO**  
*Director*  
*Member*



**NEIL P. CATAJAY**  
*Director*  
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Approved by:



**ATTY. AGATON TEODORO O. UVERO**  
*Assistant Secretary*  
*Head of Procuring Entity*