CO-LaN: CAPE-OPEN Laboratories Network

Delivering the power of open standard interfaces and component software in Computer-Aided Process Engineering
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REQUEST FOR BIDS

Reference	CO-LaN RFB009
Date	2003-10-31
CO-LaN origin	Board of Directors
Subject	**CO-LaN approved consultancy services**
General Information	The CO-LaN (the CAPE-OPEN Laboratories Network) is a neutral industry association promoting open standards in process simulation software. CO-LaN members are committed to making engineering software easier, faster and less expensive by achieving complete interoperability of compliant commercial engineering applications. The CO-LaN frequently calls for bids on various developmental activities on its web site, its repository of open standard interfaces specifications, its labelling software, and other objects of interest
Description	CO-LaN wants to help independent developers of Process Modelling Components (PMCs) and Process Modelling Environments (PMEs) to reach CAPE-OPEN compliance. For this purpose, CO-LaN will establish a programme of **CO-LaN Approved Consultancy Services** by which organisations and companies with proven record of CAPE-OPEN technical expertise will be partially funded by CO-LaN to support such developments. CO-LaN will fund up to two persondays of CAPE-OPEN consultancy for each development project of PMC or PME approved by CO-LaN Management Board. If additional days are needed, this will be done through separate agreements between the developer and the consultant organisations. The typical contract awarded by CO-LaN will mention (i) a minimum number of days of consultancy in total for a calendar year, corresponding to several consultancy tasks ; (ii) Subsidise two days of consultancy per development for CO-compliance implementation The typical task for a consultancy will be to support a PMC or a PME developer to migrate its software by providing technical advice. The following preconditions will apply : (i) the developer should show CO tester results if such tester exists ; once developed, the to-be-migrated PMC or PME must be accessible to all full members of CO-LaN on commercial basis. Proposers should reply with a two-page proposal with the following information : (i) demonstrate expertise in CO implementation ; (ii) demonstrate total commitment to CO in process modelling and simulation, i.e. by promoting CAPE-OPEN as their only method of integrating external components, where relevant ; (iii) propose a suitable consultancy daily rate.
Contact	Dr. Bertrand Braunchweig, President, Bertrand.Braunschweig@colan.org
Closing Date/Time	12:00 noon on 30 November 2003
Submission of Bids	Bids are to be addressed by e-mail to the contact hereabove as attached MS-Word 97, RTF, PDF 4.0 or HTML files.
Remarks	- Bidders who are members of CO-LaN and whose official representatives are members of its Board of Directors should make prior contact with the CO-LaN President before submitting any bid.

	- Bidders may bid for more than one lot. - The CO-LaN does not bind itself to accept the lowest bid or any bid, and reserves the right to negotiate with any bidder about the terms of the offer. - Contractors should take notice of the CO-LaN standard contract provisions referenced below. - Prices should be indicated in Euros. - Details of the award of this contract will be published on the Internet through the www.colan.org website.
Reference material	CAPE-OPEN interface specifications, available on www.colan.org Please contact Bertrand.Braunschweig@colan.org in case of doubt on any matter.