



## CALL FOR PROPOSAL FOR FARE COLLECTION AND DISTRIBUTION SERVICE (NON-CONSULTING SERVICE)

### SIERRA LEONE PUBLIC TRANSPORT AUTHORITY [SLPTA]

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#### 1.0 BACKGROUND

The Ministry of Transport and Aviation has inaugurated the Sierra Leone Integrated and Resilient Urban Mobility Project [**SLIRUMP**]. One of the key project objectives is to improve the quality of public transport and transform Freetown from a congested, vehicle-oriented city to a resilient, people-oriented city. The focus is on making public transport, cycling and walking at the core of the metropolitan vision with attention on vulnerable groups such as low-income residents, women, and people with disabilities.

To achieve this vision, the Government of Sierra Leone has separated public transport regulatory functions from public transport operational functions. The objective is to improve transport service delivery by bringing public transport functions into a single, well managed, and focused institutional structure. In the process of modernizing the informal transport services, the IRUMP has transitioned the Sierra Leone Road Transport Corporation (SLRTC) from an operator to serve as a regulator named, Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority (SLPTA). The Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority [**SLPTA**] is the legal entity authorised with the mandate to devise on policies to regulate the operation and control of passenger transport services within the territory of Sierra Leone.

The SLPTA is functioning as a professional management agency to act on behalf of the Ministry of Transport and Aviation as the regulator and procurer of public transport services. This underpins the creation of a commercial, competitive environment for the provision of public transport services by separating regulatory and operational responsibilities. This is necessary to ensure that all service providers are subjected to the same conditions and constraints and to establish an arms-length regulatory and contractual relationship with operators.



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## 2.0 SCOPE OF SERVICES

The service provider will manage the clearing house functions for SLPTA formalized route network. It will collate **real-time** geo-located data (daily travel demand, time of sale etc.) from the sales transactions. The service provider will be responsible for collecting all fare income into a consolidated pot. They will then distribute this to operators in accordance with the provisions of the service delivery contracts with SLPTA and upon the prior written approval of the SLPTA to reflect their contractual obligations.

The Service provider shall perform and provide all services necessary to achieve the above objectives in full and in compliance with the service contract agreement to the satisfaction of Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority (SLPTA). The services shall be provided in close collaboration, consultation and cooperation with SLPTA. The service shall commence for the first phase from Lumley to the Central Business District in the West and Calaba Town to the Central Business District in the East. However, operations will be extended to Jui and River No.2 depending on availability of additional buses. The first phase is comprise of 50 buses for the operation from Lumley to Central Bus Station and Calaba Town to Central Bus station.

The GoSL and Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority (SLPTA) has bold plans for a formalized public transport network of 22 routes across Freetown. As such expansion of the initial fleet of 50 buses will take place as more routes enter the formalized public transport network with the aim of progressing to a fleet of over 300 vehicles within the next 5 years. As such the service provider should be prepared to work with the SLPTA to increase the size of the card ticketing system to facilitate off board payment and validation of card tickets on board.

The Sierra Leone Public Transport Authority now call for proposals for fare collection and distribution service (Non-Consulting Service) from a reputable service provider with the experience and expertise to deliver on the above assignment.

**Further information and detailed Terms of Reference can be obtained at the address below during office hours between 09:00 to 16:00 hours.**



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Proposals must be delivered in a written form to the above address and by e-mail on or before Tuesday, **15<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER, 2024 at 13:00 PM- GMT.**

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