



# UGANDA COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Energy for Rural Transformation Project – ICT Component

IDA Credit 3588-UG

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FROM ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS TO ESTABLISH,  
OPERATE AND MAINTAIN A SCHOOL INTERNET CENTRE**

Contract Ref: UCC/4005/RCDF/04

The Government of the Republic of Uganda has received a credit from the International Development Association (IDA) towards the cost of Energy for Rural Transformation (ERT) Project, and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this credit to payments under subsidies to Secondary Schools to establish, operate and maintain School Internet Centres in selected districts in Uganda, under the ICT component of the project being implemented by the Uganda Communications Commission (UCC).

The Government of Uganda, represented by UCC, now invites eligible Secondary Schools to submit proposals for establishment, operating and maintaining Internet Centres in the districts of Kasese, Apac, Bugiri, Bushenyi, Kamuli, Katakwi, Kayunga, Nebbi, Soroti and Sembabule. UCC intends to award 10 contracts for School Internet Centres to Schools operating in one of the above-mentioned districts. To be eligible for this programme, interested Schools must be “rural” based, in the sense that their place of operations is not located in a district centre area. Furthermore, eligible Schools must be within the reception range of commercially available, medium/ high-speed Internet access.

A School for each district will be selected through a competitive bidding process as specified in the World Bank’s Guidelines: *Procurement under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits*, and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the guidelines.

Interested eligible schools may obtain further information from UCC and inspect the bidding documents at the address given below at (a) from 8.00am to 5.00pm.

A complete set of Bidding Documents in English Language may be collected free of charge by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the address below at (b).

Bids must be delivered to the address below at (b) at or before August 10, 2007 at 10.00am. Late bids shall be rejected. Bids will be opened in the presence of the bidders’ representatives who choose to attend at the address below at (b) at 10.00 a.m. on August 10, 2007.

(a) Address documents may be inspected at:

**Office of Rural Communications Development Fund (RCDF),  
Uganda Communications Commission,  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Communications House,  
Plot 1, Colville Street,  
P.O. Box 7376, Kampala  
Tel: +256-41-4339000,  
Fax: +256-41-4348832  
Email: [rcdf@ucc.co.ug](mailto:rcdf@ucc.co.ug), [ucc@ucc.co.ug](mailto:ucc@ucc.co.ug)**

**(b) Address documents will be issued from and bids delivered to:**

**Procurement and Disposal Unit,  
Uganda Communications Commission,  
4<sup>th</sup> Floor Communications House,  
Plot 1, Colville Street  
Kampala**