

Call for Interest for the INTERPOL e-passport (CFI-09-GSI-01)



Background

INTERPOL is presently conducting a feasibility study on the creation of an electronic passport (e-passport) that would reflect state-of-the-art security features and processes. The state-of-the-art INTERPOL e-passport is being created for Heads of National Central Bureaus (NCBs), INTERPOL General Secretariat officials, and elected members of INTERPOL's governing bodies. The purposes of the e-passport are (i) to confirm the bearer's identity and his or her status as a Head of NCB, an official of INTERPOL, or representative of INTERPOL's governing bodies; and (ii) to facilitate international travel for official purposes only.

INTERPOL invites interested companies to design, produce, and develop this e-passport at no cost to INTERPOL for up to 10 years at which time each party will be free to decide whether or not to continue the collaboration.

INTERPOL already has identified one private entity that has designed and created an example of its vision for a state-of-the-art INTERPOL e-passport prototype.

INTERPOL is now soliciting other interested parties either to produce their own proposals for an INTERPOL e-passport or to offer to collaborate on the creation of a composite INTERPOL e-passport containing security features of a variety of companies.

INTERPOL will ultimately decide whether to select one company to design and produce a state-of-the-art INTERPOL e-passport or to select a consortium of private sector companies to do so.

Call for Interest Objectives

INTERPOL announces a Call for Interest (Cfi) to scientific institutes as well as industries to obtain an indication of their interest to produce a state-of-the-art INTERPOL e-passport at no cost to INTERPOL for up to 10 years, including the quality and features of the state-of-the-art e-passport each proposes. **The proposed state-of-the art INTERPOL e-passport MUST, at a minimum, satisfy all ICAO standards.**

More specifically, any company interested to produce a state-of-the art e-passport for INTERPOL can opt to respond to the following two options:

1. by submitting your company's or consortium's interest to design the e-passport as sole vendor for the complete product by including your proposed design, layout, development, materials, production technologies, etc. and time for completion of the production of a state-of-the-art e-passport for delivery to;
2. by agreeing to participate in the creation of a composite INTERPOL e-passport containing a specific state-of-the-art security feature from your company that could be incorporated into a composite passport produced by one of the participating consortium companies.

Additional Conditions

- a. Any interested company or consortium of companies would be required to do all design and development on its own and to absorb all costs related thereto.
- b. Any interested company or consortium of companies would be required to permit INTERPOL to visit production facilities to see firsthand how the INTERPOL e-passport would be produced.
- c. INTERPOL can be consulted to give input along the way to review draft e-passport prototypes.
- d. Prior to entering into an agreement, any interested company or consortium of companies would be required to have all key Officers and Board members subject to national and INTERPOL background checks. INTERPOL reserves the right to apply other due diligence procedures prior to entering into a commercial agreement.

Letter of Interest – Preparation Guide

All responses to this call must be made by completing the attached Letter of Interest and sending to ao.ab.pcm@interpol.int with “e-passport, letter of interest” in the subject heading.

All questions are to be sent by e-mail to ao.ab.pcm@interpol.int with “e-passport, Cfl question” in the subject line. Responses will be posted on the INTERPOL website and updated regularly until 31 July 2009. INTERPOL reserves the right to respond to questions deemed relevant for the Call for Interest.

Prototypes and/or additional technical documentation as specified in each chosen option can be sent to the below address. All submission must be received on or before the 17:00 MEST, 31 July 2009 and become the property of I.C.P.O. – INTERPOL. This Letter of Interest is not binding.

INTERPOL
Procurement and Contract Management Department
Attn: e-Passport Call for Interest (CFI-09-GSI-01)
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69006 Lyon, FRANCE

**Letter for Interest concerning the Call for Interest for the
INTERPOL e-Passport (CFI-09-GSI-01)**



Name of Organization:	
Name and function:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
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E-mail:	

I express my interest in the INTERPOL e-Passport in response to INTERPOL Call for Interest CFI-09-GSI-01), concerning the following option(s) (check all that apply):

1. by submitting your company's or consortium's interest to design the e-passport as sole vendor for the complete product by including your proposed design, layout, development, materials, production technologies, etc. and time for completion of the production of a state-of-the-art e-passport for delivery to INTERPOL
2. by agreeing to participate in the creation of a composite INTERPOL e-passport containing a specific state-of-the-art security feature from your company that could be incorporated into a composite passport produced by one of the participating consortium companies

N.B. All submissions, including this Letter of Interest, exemplars and/or technical documentation should be received before 17:00 MEST, 31 July 2009.