



RFP FOR AN ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN AND MODEL

A. CLIENT INFORMATION:

Msingi East Africa Limited is an ambitious and innovative industry development organization supporting the growth of competitive industries in East Africa. Msingi identifies high potential industries to and provides support through technical assistance or investment, to pioneering firms to foster innovation, growth, and competitiveness. Msingi aims to catalyze the right enabling environment for the industry by working closely with policy stakeholders to enable dialogue and co creation in sector governance. Msingi differentiates itself by combining strong private sector-orientation and skills and taking a long-term approach to catalyzing economic development. Ultimately, Msingi's goal is to play a key role in East Africa's long-term economic transformation.

Msingi is funded by Gatsby Africa a member of the Gatsby Charitable foundation, an independent foundation set up in 1967 by Lord David Sainsbury that has worked in East Africa since 1985.

B. PROJECT INFORMATION:

In order to succeed in attracting investment and growth in manufacturing under the designated industrial development acts, being the Special Economic Zones (SEZ) or Export Processing Zones (EPZ) framework, gazetted production areas should have ready facilities to house factories. Factories should be readily built to the specifications required for rent or purchase by export-oriented manufacturers. This is most important for success in the garment industry, an industry that employs many people. These manufacturers require facilities that meet the price, structure, and layout of factories that are critical to achieve competitiveness and safety of workers. Presently, within Kenya, there is a shortage of adequate industrial space for garment makers across all the Export oriented zones. Kenya has an abundance of warehouses and storage facilities but very little in the form of sheds or factories that can be used by manufacturers especially those engaged in activities that require large quantities of workers. This deficit of space creates a hinderance to the country realising its investment opportunities and could result in future challenges to advance foreign investment or position Kenya as a manufacturing hub.

Having surveyed the existing facilities, Msingi East Africa is working with Private Developers and regulators to advocate for the construction of Industrial sheds that are Fit for Purpose, specifically for large Garment Manufacturing. As part of its work Msingi has provided technical and expert information to regulators and developers, aimed at assisting these parties to understand the needs of large garment manufacturers. Msingi has also convened developers and regulators to create a working framework for collaboration to develop adequate manufacturing facilities.

The purpose of this RFP is to seek services of an Architectural Firm to develop a detailed design for a fit for purpose industrial shed that can be accessed by any developer who wishes to develop an industrial shed for the garment industry.

C. PROPOSED LAND AND BUILDING FEATURES

- 1) **Type of Building:** Industrial Shed
- 2) **General fit within the environment:** To fit in with the surrounding Industrial sheds and natural environment within the EPZ
- 3) **Specific land details that can be availed on request include:**
 - i. Survey / Deed Plan - PDF format
 - ii. Survey / Deed Plan – DWG format
 - iii. Notes on linear dimensions & bearings of site boundaries
 - iv. Notes on existing and planned infrastructure
- 4) **Proposed building features** – specification’s document to be availed on request.

D. OUTPUTS & TARGETS

- 1) Detailed Architectural sketch with all the measurements
- 2) Virtual 3D Model of the Design as per the specifications
- 3) Physical Model of the design as per the specifications

E. SUPPORT SYSTEM

- 1) Msingi’s Technical Expert in collaboration with EPZ’s Property Manager and Engineering Team (Including Mechanical, Electrical & Plumbing) will be available to provide any additional information, clarifications, and guidance to the contracted firm to fast-track delivery on the assignment.
- 2) Any request in the course of the assignment should be channelled in writing to textilesandapparel@msingi.com

F. KEY ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1) All the relevant national building standards will be considered in the development of the design
- 2) The design should fit in the specific zoned area but also consider that it may need to be utilised for other public / private zones across the country.
- 3) That the outputs will be sufficient for any commercial development company to work out their own project costs and proceed to develop the Industrial Shed
- 4) The design will be based on a specific zoned land area at the Export Promotion Zone in Athi River, Kitengela.
- 5) The detailed sketch and virtual 3D model will be available within 4-5 weeks of the project commissioning and the Physical model be delivered within 8 weeks of the project commissioning.

G. SUBMISSION DEADLINE & CLARRIFICATIONS

- 1) Proposals from interested firms should be submitted by COB 15th November 2021.
- 2) Interested firms may requests for clarification up to seven [7] days before the proposal submission date. This should be channelled in writing to textilesandapparel@msingi.com

3) **Other Contact Details:**

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H. EXPERIENCE

- 1) At least 10 years' experience in Kenya
- 2) Membership to at least one reputable local professional body, such as the Architectural Association of Kenya
- 3) Experience in the design of industrial warehouses or sheds will be an added advantage
- 4) Availability of sample 3D models as part of the proposals will be an added advantage

I. EXPECTATIONS

- 1) The clients Profile including CVs of key team members
- 2) Technical Proposal with timeliness
- 3) Profiles of Team Members proposed for this assignment
- 4) Financial Proposal
- 5) At least 3 references for related assignments successfully concluded in the last 5 years