

FUTURE ICT SERVICE ARRANGEMENTS

Information and Communication Technology (ICT)



STATEMENT TO SA GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND STATUTORY AUTHORITIES ON SEEKING OR RECEIVING OFFERS OF SPONSORSHIP FROM ICT COMPANIES

PURPOSE

To provide a clear statement to SA Government Departments, Agencies and Statutory Authorities, on either seeking or receiving offers of corporate or event sponsorship from ICT companies who are either current or potential future suppliers to the SA Government.

DISCUSSION

On occasion, the SA Government initiates, or is involved in, the staging of major events, and in doing so, either actively seeks, or receives unsolicited, offers of sponsorship from private companies.

The SA Government is also currently undertaking several significant ICT-related procurements, under the banner of "Future ICT Service Arrangements".

The issue contemplated in this document is the perceived or actual benefits that ICT-related companies may seek or receive in relation to these procurements, should they provide such sponsorship.

STATEMENT

The Future ICT Service Arrangements initiative is not connected or related to any SA Government event (current or proposed), in any way. As such, any ICT companies providing sponsorship for such events do not have the opportunity to link such sponsorship to any Future ICT procurement, in any way.

Similarly, sponsorship provided by ICT companies to SA Government events (current or proposed) will not, in any way, influence the decisions or outcomes of the Future ICT Procurements, and therefore will be of no direct benefit to the ICT company in relation to their Future ICT bids. In particular, the economic impact (if any) of any SA Government endorsed event sponsorship (whether in cash or in kind) will be disregarded in evaluation of bids for Future ICT contracts.

PROCESS

SA Government Departments, Agencies and Statutory Authorities are free to continue current practices in relation to sponsorship, however, in doing so, this Statement should be provided to all ICT-related companies involved.

All SA Government Cabinet Ministers, and Portfolio Chief Executives, have been made aware of this Statement.