

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR REGISTRATION OF SERVICE PROVIDERS (SHIPOWNERS/OPERATORS/CHARTERERS/MANAGERS TO DEPLOY VESSEL(S) ON TIME CHARTERING FOR THE FY 2022/2023.

1. Introduction

The Mauritius Shipping Corporation Ltd (MSCL) under the Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping based in Port Louis, Mauritius hereby invites eligible ship owning companies/charterers/operators/managers to express their interest for a charter agreement to service the Indian Ocean region.

2. Objective of Chart Multipurpose vessel

The objective of this EOI is to enable MSCL as owners to charter (time chartering) a multipurpose container vessel (LOA less than 115m, two 30/35 tonnes cranes each or above, capacity of 300 – 350 TEUs (at least 25 reefer plugs) The shipbroker/shipowner shall provide a list of available vessel for chartering with an indication of its daily chartering fees.

3. Conditions

- The charter period shall be from 15 September 2022 to 14 August 2023 (Approx. 12 Months) and renewable for a further 3- or 6-months' duration.
- The plying area is the inter-islands and the Indian Ocean region.
- The expected laycan period to be at Port-Louis at least one month before the start of the first contract.

4. Requirements

The MSCL is looking for time chartering a multipurpose container vessel, having, amongst others, the following key specifications: -

- LOA of less than 115 m
- When fully loaded, the vessel should not exceed 6.4m of draft
- Cargo deadweight should not be less than 3,500 metric tonnes
- Mounted with thruster/s
- Fitted with 2 Cranes (minimum SWL 30 - 35 tonnes)
- Preferably fitted with Hydraulic Hatch Covers
- TEU Capacity: 370, Homogeneous: 230/14t, Reefer Plugs: 50.
- The vessel shall be fitted with at least 25 reefer plugs
- Break Bulk Cargo Capacity - Approx. 600 to 1000 cbm
- The vessel should be able to carry Dangerous Goods onboard
- Bunker tanks capable of transporting 300 to 350 metric tonnes of Heavy Fuel Oil as cargo
- The vessel shall be less than 20 years of age and classed by IACS
- Drydocking and major repairs should not be undertaken during the charter period

5. Eligibility and Qualifications of Brokers / Owner

Bidders should be from reputable shipbrokers / shipowners having adequate expertise and experience in vessel chartering and should be conversant in the English language.

6. Clarifications

Interested service providers may obtain further information on the EOI by addressing an email to the Managing Director at md@mscl.mu at least 3 days prior to the closing date of the EOI exercise.

7. Application for Registration

Application for Registration shall be submitted via email at procurement@mscl.mu or to the address below, **on or before 15 July 2022 at 16 00 hrs. (Mauritius Time) at latest:**

**The Managing Director,
Mauritius Shipping Corporation Ltd,
2nd Floor, La Capitainerie Building, Quay D,
Port Louis,
MAURITIUS.**

Any late submission will not be considered

Sealed Envelopes should be marked on the subject mentioned in the email as “Expression of Interest – Registration of Service Providers (Shipowners/Operators/Charterers/Managers) – 2022/2023”

The cost of preparation of documents and submission will be to the account of the Interested service providers and the registration of service providers are at the total discretion of the MSCL

All documents submitted will be treated in strict confidentiality.

July 1, 2022