

Invitation to tender: Courtside Seats Construction for Volleyball Nations League Hong Kong 2025

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Introduction:

Volleyball Nations League Hong Kong 2025 (VNLHK) is an international sport event that attracts around 60,000 spectators and millions TV audiences in Hong Kong, mainland China and all over the world. The participation of China Women's Volleyball National Team and other national teams attracts attention from a lot of local and overseas media and results in plenty of news coverage. The tournament will be held on 18 – 22 June 2025 (From Wednesday to Sunday) at Hong Kong Coliseum or Kai Tak Arena with six national teams which are China, Italy, Japan, Thailand, Czech Republic and Bulgaria.

Objective:

Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China (VBAHK) would like to invite qualified suppliers to respond to this tender invitation for the Courtside Seats Construction for the VNLHK 2025. This tender invitation sets out the requirements and the selection criteria to be used in the evaluation and provides information regarding how the tender process will be managed.

Interpretation

In this document, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

- "Project" means the project described in Section A-E;
- "Tenderer" means the person(s) or corporation(s) tendering for the Project;
- "Contract" means a formal agreement to be entered into between the VBAHK and the Contractor in relation to the Project containing such terms and conditions as the parties shall agree including (but not limited to) those terms set out in Section 7 hereof (unless the same shall have been modified by the VBAHK); and
- "Contractor" means the Tenderer whose tender is accepted by the VBAHK

Service Overview:

Courtside Seating is a new element in volleyball competition that introduced since VNL 2022 in order to enhance the experience for volleyball fans. This project aims to provide a comfortable and safe viewing experience for spectators while meeting all structural, safety, and aesthetic standards. The contractor is expected to adhere to the specifications and timelines outlined in this document.

The scope of the Project includes but not limited to the following

- Design, fabrication, and installation of courtside seating.
- Construction of an elevated spectator stand.
- Compliance with safety regulations and accessibility standards.
- Provision of all necessary materials, labor, equipment, and supervision.
- Site preparation and cleanup after completion.

The Contractor must comply with all the detail of section A-E below:

Section A - Design Specifications

A1. Courtside Seating

- Seating Capacity: Provide seating for a minimum of 1,200 spectators.
- Material: Durable materials such as aluminum or high-grade plastic.
- Configuration: 15 sections of courtside seating, each section contains 6 rows of 14 fixed seating with clear sightlines to the court.
- Comfort: Seats should include backrests and adequate spacing for comfort. Chairs are preferably with cushion padding.
- Safety: Non-slip surfaces, rounded edges, railing, and compliance with fire safety standards.

A2. Elevated Spectator Stand

- Height: The stand should contain 3 levels and each level has 15cm height in order to provide an elevated view while ensuring stability and safety. Two rows can be at the same level with slightly shift half chair distance to left or right to ensure clean sight.
- Structure: Steel frame with durable wooden flooring.
- Accessibility: Include stairs at the back of the elevated stand.
- Handrails: Install sturdy handrails along stairs and edges for safety.
- Finishes: Smooth, professional finishes with no sharp or hazardous elements.

Section B - Construction Requirements

B1. Site Preparation

- Conduct a site survey to assess ground conditions.
- Clear the site of debris and level the ground as required.
- Ensure no interference with existing infrastructure.
- Provide CAD drawing for venue approval.

B2. Foundation and Structural Integrity

- Lay a stable foundation for both courtside seating and the elevated stand.
- Use materials that comply with local building codes and standards.
- Conduct load-bearing tests to ensure structural safety.

B3. Installation

- Assemble seating and stands on-site following approved designs.
- Ensure all components are securely fastened and stable.
- Conduct quality checks at each stage of construction.

Section C - Safety and Compliance

- Adhere to all relevant building codes, fire safety regulations, and accessibility standards with corresponding certificates such as RSE, FS251, etc.
- Provide floor lighting or reflect tapes for safe movement during lights off.

Section D - Timeline

The project is expected to deliver on 11 June 2025 and complete in ONE day. The exact installation date will be confirm in due course.

The dismantle date will be on 23 June 2025.

Section E - Deliverables

The contractor is expected to deliver:

- CAD drawing of the courtside seat design.
- Provide necessary documents for TPPE application.
- Completed courtside seating and elevated spectator stand ready for use.
- Warranty for materials and workmanship.
- Dismantle.

The tenderer shall propose a courtside design with preliminary construction plan and provide a detailed cost breakdown, including:

- Material costs
- Labor costs
- Equipment rental (if applicable)
- Insurance
- Certificates RSE, FS251, and all related licenses

Remarks:

1. Timetable:

Issue of tender documents 8 April 2025

Tender return deadline 22 April 2025, 17:00

Award & commencement of contract on or before 9 May 2025

2. Guidelines for Tenderers on proposal submission

These guidelines are intended to provide Tenderers with guidance on the procedure for submitting their proposals and the approach that the VBAHK will generally adopt in assessing such proposals. They do not bind, and are not intended to bind, the VBAHK in any way. The VBAHK reserves the right to accept or reject all or any part of all or any proposal. The VBAHK is not bound to accept the lowest or any tender submitted.

2.1 Required components of tender:

- 2.1.1 <u>Breakdown Price for consideration:</u>
- Breakdown into fees of section A to E is required.
- 2.1.2 Previous Experience:
- List any relevant experience your company has had in supplying to events.
- 2.1.3 Key Benefits and Additional Services:
- List any key benefits and / or additional services you can provide before / during / after event.
- 2.1.4 Variable cost or OOP Cost:
- Please list out any related variable cost, out-of-pocket cost in the tender.

2.2 Selection Criteria and Evaluation of Proposals (Listed in no particular order)

- 2.2.1 Cost of service.
- 2.2.2 Any additional or value-added service
- 2.2.3 Qualifications and Capacity
- 2.2.4 Past experience and good track record

The VBAHK reserves the right to shortlist the Tenderers, based on the above-mentioned criteria and only the shortlisted Tenderers shall be required to make presentations of their proposals for the VBAHK's final evaluation (if necessary).

2.3 Tender Submission:

The tender shall be valid for at least 6 months from the date of the tender.

Please submit the duly completed and signed tender in a <u>sealed envelope</u> marked conspicuously "Confidential - Tender Document for Courtside Seats Construction for Volleyball Nations League Hong Kong 2025" and send to the tender box at Unit 1111-1112, 11/F, LU Plaza, 2 Wing Yip Street, Kwun Tong, Kowloon, <u>on or before 22 April 2025, 17:00</u>. Email or fax submission is not accepted.

LATE SUBMISSION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

^{***}The committee may ask for an interview and presentation during the assessment period***

2.4 Validation period of Tenderer's offers

By making a proposal in response to this invitation to tender, the Tenderer will be treated as having made an offer to the VBAHK. Tenderers should keep their offers valid for <u>at least 6 months</u> from the closing date of this invitation to tender. The Tenderer should clearly state in its proposal for the tender validation period.

2.5 Queries regarding this invitation to tender or proposals made in response

- 2.5.1 If VBAHK considers that any aspect of a proposal requires clarification from the Tenderer, the VBAHK may request that the Tenderer to:
 - A. supplement its proposal; or
 - B. answer the VBAHK's queries verbally or in writing, or in any manner that the VBAHK deems fit.
- 2.5.2 Any queries regarding this invitation to tender should be made to:

Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China

Mr. Angus LO – Senior Sports Executive (Project Management)

Tel: 2882 1230

Email: angus.lo@vbahk.org.hk

OR

Ms. Priscilla Au - Project Executive

Tel: 2882 9983

Email: priscilla.au@vbahk.org.hk

3. Acceptance of proposal

No tender (or part thereof) shall be taken to have been accepted by the VBAHK unless and until the execution of the Contract by the VBAHK and the Contractor.

4. Rejection of proposal

The VBAHK retains the right to reject any or all tenders submitted for any reason whatsoever.

5. Cancellation of Tender Invitation

Without prejudice to the VBAHK's right to cancel the tender invitation at its absolute discretion or for public interest reasons, where there are changes of requirement after the Tender Closing Time for operational or whatever reasons, the VBAHK is not bound to accept any conforming tender and reserves the right to cancel the tender invitation.

6. Cost and expenses

All work done or services performed for the purposes of preparing the proposal are on the Tenderers' own account and not recoverable from the VBAHK. The VBAHK will not defray any expenses incurred in the tender process and/or in respect of the negotiation of the Contract.

7. Suspension, resumption or termination of Contract

- 7.1 The Contract may be suspended or terminated by the VBAHK at any time, by the VBAHK giving the Contractor written notice in letter or email.
- 7.2 On suspension or termination, the Contractor shall be paid all fees and expenses commensurate with the services performed by them up to the date of suspension or termination less all fees and expenses previously paid to the Contractor. The Contractor has the obligations to stop work immediately but in an orderly manner and do deliver to the VBAHK documents in its control relating to the Project. The VBAHK shall not be liable for any loss of profits and other losses incurred by the Contractor as a result of termination or suspension.
- 7.3 In the event of suspension or termination the Contractor shall be entitled to reimbursement of the actual cost of or an amount in fair compensation for any financial commitment or obligation outstanding after the giving of the notice of suspension or termination which he has properly incurred in accordance with the Contract prior to the giving of the notice of suspension or termination.
- 7.4 The payments referred to in sub-clauses (7.2) and (7.3) of this Clause shall be deemed in full and final payment for the Services up to the date of suspension or termination. The Contractor shall be entitled to such payments only if the suspension or termination is not attributable to default on the part of the Contractor.
- 7.5 If this Contract is resumed any payment of fees under this Clause except in respect of abortive work that has to be re-done shall rank as payment on account towards the fees payable under this Contract.
- 7.6 Should this Contract continue to be suspended for a period of more than 6 months then either:
 - (i) it shall be terminated upon the written notice of either party; or
 - (ii) it may be renegotiated with the Contract of both parties.
- 7.7 The Contractor shall use its best endeavours to perform the Contract with such due care and skill as is expected of a provider of similar services and products and of a comparable standing in the industry but if for whatever reason, the VBAHK in its opinion concludes that the Contractor is in breach of the Contract or does not provide the level of services required by the VBAHK, the VBAHK shall have the right to terminate the Contract by notice in writing to the Contractor.

8. Warning Clauses

8.1 The tenderer shall not and shall ensure that his agents and employees shall not give or offer any advantages as defined under the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance to any agent or employee of

Volleyball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited, the "Association". The tenderer is also prohibited from colluding with other bidders in this tendering exercise in whatever forms (e.g. price rigging). Any breach of or non-compliance with these clauses by the tenderer shall, without affecting the tenderer's liability for such breach or non-compliance, invalidate his tender.

8.2 If the contractor or any employee or agent of the contractor shall be found to have committed an offence under the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance in relation to the tender or the contract, the Association may terminate the contract without entitling the contractor to any compensation therefore, and the contractor shall be liable for all losses and expenses necessarily incurred by the Association as the result of such termination of the contract.