



## **The Petroleum Authority of Uganda National Supplier Database for the Oil and Gas Sector.**

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1. The Petroleum Authority of Uganda (PAU) is established under the Petroleum Exploration Development and Production Act of 2013 (The Act) to monitor and regulate oil and gas activities in the country. The Act requires the PAU to, among other things, establish and publish a central data base of persons involved in petroleum activities in Uganda and prohibits any entity from providing goods, works or services for oil and gas activities unless they are registered on the database. The National Supplier Database (NSD) is an online web-based platform for regulating the procurement of goods and services in the oil and gas sector.
2. In line with The Petroleum (Exploration, Development and Production) (Amendment) Regulations, 2019, The Petroleum Authority of Uganda is delighted to announce the following changes in the administration of the NSD:
  - a) The Authority shall publish the list of entities on the NSD from time to time as may be required. Once a Company has been qualified, their details will automatically appear on the NSD which can be accessed on [www.pau.go.ug](http://www.pau.go.ug)
  - b) The registration of any company shall remain valid for a period of three (3) years from the date of their qualification, and thereafter the company may reapply to be included in the NSD. Therefore, companies that are already on the 2019 NSD need not reapply to be on the NSD for 2020 since their registration shall still be valid until three years from the date of their qualification.
  - c) A company that is already qualified, however may request access to the National Supplier Database to update its information and records.

3. The PAU is therefore continuing to update the NSD by inviting applications for qualification to the National Supplier Database for Uganda's oil and gas sector. Applicants are required to provide information as categorized below:

**3.1. Companies and other registered entities:**

- a) Proof of legal status and legal name: submission of an authentic and valid certificate of Incorporation and /or registration.
- b) Submission of authentic, valid and updated shareholding and management of the company or entity.
- c) Good market conduct for example there should be no reported cases of black listing of the company applying for registration.
- d) Good liquidity status
- e) Compliance with tax and social security requirements
- f) Valid Bankers reference.

**3.2. Individual consultants:**

- a) Proof of nationality, tax registration and expertise
- b) A valid National Identification Card or a Bio Page of a valid Passport for Ugandan Citizens
- c) A valid alien identification card or a Bio Page of a valid Passport for non-Ugandan.
- d) Police Report or a letter of good conduct.
- e) Industry accreditation certificates if any.

4. The Authority continues to work with the Uganda Registration Services Bureau (URSB), the National Social Security Fund (NSSF) and the Uganda Revenue Authority (URA) in verifying applicants registered in Uganda and with the respective Embassies and Missions to Uganda for the applicants registered outside Uganda.

5. Regarding the verification of foreign companies from specific countries, the Petroleum Authority in collaboration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs have agreed on the following;

- a) The verification of entities registered in the People's Republic of China applying for registration on the NSD will be done in consultation with the Chinese Enterprise Chamber of Commerce (SinCham).

- b) Applicants from the Federal Republic of Germany will be expected to submit updated and certified excerpts of their supporting documents from the trade register at their respective district courts.
  - c) Applicants from the United States of America will be required to submit notarized attestation documents from the US Embassy to support qualification.
6. A total of 2,315 applications for the NSD 2019 were received as at 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019 and of these 1632 are from companies registered in Uganda while 683 are from companies registered in 49 other countries. Subsequently 1,601 entities and individuals have been qualified to date.
7. It is important to note that registration on the NSD does not waive the requirements for the qualified entity or person to participate in the tendering processes for the provision of goods, works and services in the oil and gas industry and is not a guarantee for award of any contract.
8. The NSD provides an opportunity for a transparent and standardized procurement cycle which will in turn lead to increased competition and efficiency in the supply chain. It is also a very strong tool for facilitating national participation in the country's oil and gas sector by enhancing the visibility of Ugandan companies which have the potential to offer goods and services in the oil and gas sector whether individually or in partnership.

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