

PUBLIC NOTICE

EXTENSION OF SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - BOCRA-UASF/EOI/01/2014-15 PROVISION OF BROADBAND WI-FI HOTSPOTS IN SHOPPING MALLS, AIRPORTS, HOSPITALS AND OTHER PUBLIC STRATEGIC AREAS IN BOTSWANA

Due to requests from BOCRA licensed Service Providers, the submission date of the above mentioned Expression of Interest (EOI) has been extended from the **30 June 2014 to 31 July 2014**.

The EOI can be accessed from the BOCRA Website (www.bocra.org.bw).

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STAKEHOLDER INPUT TO THE DRAFT MANUAL OF OPERATING PROCEDURES FOR THE UNIVERSAL ACCESS & SERVICE FUND (UASF).

The Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority (BOCRA or the Authority) is a statutory body established under the Communications Regulatory Authority Act No. 19 of 2012, (CRA Act), to regulate and promote development of the Communications Sector in Botswana.

Following the establishment of the Universal Access and Service Fund (UASF or the Fund) in April 2014, the Authority has developed a Draft Manual of Operating Procedures which seeks to provide guidelines and operating principles under which communications development projects funded by the UASF will be managed and administered.

The Draft Manual of Operating Procedures describes, among others,

- The theoretical foundation and key principles of UAS and the Fund;
- The specific UAS objectives established under the UASF program;
- Sources of finance for the UASF;
- The governance, management and administration of the UASF;

- The development of the UASF programs, project prioritisation and selection criteria;
- The tendering and selection process;
- Subsidy disbursement procedures; and
- Performance Monitoring.

The Public and all Stakeholders are requested to provide input or comments to the Draft Manual of Operating Procedures for the UASF which can be collected at the:

**BOCRA Head Office,
Plot 50671,
Independence Avenue**

or be accessed from the BOCRA website; www.bocra.org.bw.

Input/comments to the Draft Manual should be submitted on or before the **11 of July 2014** to following;

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INVITATION FOR SUBMISSION ON DIGITAL TERRESTRIAL TELEVISION SET TOP BOX (STB) MINIMUM SPECIFICATIONS

The Communications Regulatory Authority Act No. 19 of 2012 Section 6 Subsection 2 (f) provides that the Botswana Communications Regulatory Authority (BOCRA) "shall foster the development of the supply of services and technology in each regulated sector in accordance with recognised standard".

BOCRA has developed Minimum Technical Specifications for the Set Top Boxes to be used in the digital terrestrial television reception. All set top boxes that will be manufactured, imported or used in the digital terrestrial television reception shall comply with the set minimum specifications.

Stakeholders and interested parties are invited to make submissions to be considered in the final document which shall be the Set Top Box minimum specifications.

The deadline for submissions is at close of business on the **3 July 2014**.

Following your comments, BOCRA will do the analysis and consider way forward which may include a consultative workshop to finalise the document.

The document can be accessed from the BOCRA Website: www.bocra.org.bw

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