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## Kerala State Council for

Science, Technology and Environment

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## **Inviting Expression of interest**

Expression of interest is called for from esteemed banking institutions to collaborate as trusted banking partner for Global Science Festival Kerala, 2023.

About GSFK: GSFK is a joint initiative of the Department of Science and Technology, Government of Kerala, and Amuseum ArtScience. It is conducted in collaboration with international science educational institutions, and like-minded public and non-governmental organisations. A unique platform that brings together experts, students, and enthusiasts worldwide to celebrate science, the festival explores innovative approaches to science communication and is conceived as an educational experience. With an expected footfall of over 1.2 million people, this event will be one of the most significant science events in India.

Purpose of EOI: GSFK is seeking a reputable banking partner to provide comprehensive banking services, enhance our financial infrastructure, and support our diverse range of activities.

Scope of Work: The selected banking partner will be expected to deliver a wide array of services, including but not limited to:

- 1. All banking needs of GSFK
- 2. Payment Gateway Services Provide a robust online payment gateway system that accepts major credit cards, debit cards, internet banking, e-wallets, UPI, BHIM, and more for the sales of tickets. Ensure secure transactions, real-time authorization, and integration with our existing systems.
- 3. Point of Sale (POS) Solutions Furnish Android-based POS/MPOS machines equipped to handle various card brands and types. Offer roundthe-clock service support, including authorizations and EDC terminal services, with minimal rental charges.

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4. Additional Services - Facilitate services such as ATMs.

Eligibility Criteria: Banking institutions that meet the following criteria are eligible to submit their EOI.

- Nationalized Banks and Scheduled /Private Commercial Banks as per Reserve Bank of India regulations.
  - Core-Banking facilities to ensure seamless operations.

## **Modalities of Selection:**

- 1. Submission of written proposals within 7 days of notification.
- 2. Presentation and demonstration of the banking services to the GSF Kerala committee.
- 3. Shortlisting based on written proposals and presentations.
- 4. Request for limited tenders/financial bids from shortlisted banking partners.
- 5. Final selection based on financial bids and mutually agreed terms and conditions.

**Submission Details:** Interested banking institutions are requested to submit their Expression of Interest (EOI) in a sealed cover clearly marked as "EOI for Banking Services for GSF Kerala". The proposal should be sent to the undersigned.

DR. S PRADEEP KUMAR. MEMBER SECRETARY

Signed by T.s. Sunilkumar

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