



**PROCUREMENT NOTICE
OPEN INTERNATIONAL BIDDING**
(Authorised under Section 16 of the Public Procurement Act 2006)

**CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR YARD EXPANSION WORKS AT THE MCT
CONTRACT MPA 720/2026**

The Mauritius Ports Authority (MPA) is inviting proposals from eligible and suitably qualified Consultancy Firms for Consultancy Services for Yard Expansion Works at the Mauritius Container Terminal (MCT), as morefully described in the bidding document.

Objective of the Project

The MPA intends to expand the container stacking area to accommodate the increasing container traffic and a new gate complex. The project, which is expected to be implemented in line with international best practices, also includes a new customs verification area to ensure seamless terminal operations.

The bidding exercise will be conducted through Open International Bidding method according to the procurement rules and regulations issued by the Procurement Policy Office of the Republic of Mauritius.

In accordance with Construction Industry Authority Act 2023, Consultants, whether local or foreign under an existing or intended joint venture operating in the construction sector have the statutory obligation to be registered with the Construction Industry Authority (CIA), as appropriate, prior to bidding for the project. *Consultants are thus strongly advised to consult the website of the CIA (ciamauritius.org) for further details concerning registration of consultants.*

The consultancy Firm shall have undertaken at least 3 projects of similar nature and complexity over the last 10 years.

Bidders, specialized in the field, who are willing to participate in this exercise may contact the office of:

The Director, Legal, Risk & Administrative Services
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A complete set of bidding documents will be submitted to bidders via email.

Pre-Proposal Conference

A Pre-Proposal Conference will be held online on Thursday 18 June 2026 at 13.30 hours (Mauritian Time). The link to get access online will be provided to bidders along with the Bidding Document as detailed above.

Submission of Proposals

Proposals (Technical & Financial in two separate sealed envelopes) shall be placed into an outer sealed envelope clearly marked "Contract MPA 720/2026 – Consultancy Services for Yard Expansion Works at the MCT", and should be addressed to the Director General, Mauritius Ports Authority, 1st Floor, H. Ramnarain Building, Mer Rouge, Port Louis, Republic of Mauritius.

Deadline for the Submission of Proposals

Proposals should be either deposited in the Bid Box located in the Chief Officer's Office, Mauritius Ports Authority, 1st floor, H. Ramnarain Building, Mer Rouge, Port Louis, Republic of Mauritius or submitted by registered post or courier so as to reach the Mauritius Ports Authority on or before Thursday 30 July 2026 up to 14.00 hours (Mauritian time) at latest.

Technical Proposals will be opened on the same day at 14.15 hours (Mauritian time) in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.

Proposals received after the specified closing date and time will not be considered.

The Mauritius Ports Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal and to annul the bidding process and reject all proposals at any time prior to award of the Contract, without thereby incurring any liability to any Bidder.

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Call for Applications for Colossal Biosciences Fellowship: Genome Engineer, Avian

The Mauritius Institute of Biotechnology Ltd (MIBL), operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Tertiary Education, Science and Research, in collaboration with Colossal Biosciences Inc., USA, invites applications for the position of a **Colossal Biosciences Fellow: Genome Engineer, Avian**.

Team: Colossal Biosciences

Location: Dallas, TX, USA

Duration: 3-4 months (US Summer 2026)

Reports To: Sr. Principal Scientist

Scientific Mentor: Scientist / Associate Scientist

About Colossal Biosciences

Colossal is a breakthrough bioscience and genetic engineering company advancing cutting-edge science and technology to protect threatened species. The company is the first to apply CRISPR technology to species de-extinction efforts. The Dodo De-Extinction Project is one of the initiatives currently being undertaken by Colossal.

Role Overview

Colossal Biosciences is seeking a Genome Engineer, Avian fellow to support scientific initiatives focused on developing genetic constructs and advancing the modification of avian traits. In this role, you will collaborate closely with a cross-functional team to drive innovative approaches to phenotype modification across a range of species. This position offers a unique opportunity to expand your technical expertise while contributing meaningfully to avian conservation efforts.

This role is well suited for candidates who are currently enrolled in, or have graduated within the past year from, an undergraduate or master's programme, as well as those currently pursuing a PhD, and who are eager to make an impact at the forefront of conservation technology. The position is based in Dallas, Texas, USA.

Key Responsibilities

- Perform DNA construct design, molecular cloning, and troubleshooting to support genome engineering efforts.
- Analyze gene expression profiles across developmental stages and sample types using RT-qPCR.

- Prepare and process samples for amplicon-based next-generation sequencing.
- Analyze and interpret experimental data, providing insights and recommendations to guide project direction.
- Participate in lab meetings, prepare reports, and present findings to ensure alignment with project goals and milestones.
- Maintain accurate, detailed laboratory records and demonstrate strong organizational practices.

Required Skills and Abilities

- Hands-on experience with molecular cloning, plasmid construction, and plasmid preparation (mini-, midi-, and maxi-prep).
- Expertise in PCR primer design, optimization, and troubleshooting.
- High proficiency in RNA extraction, reverse transcription, and qPCR.
- Strong organizational skills with the ability to manage multiple projects and meet deadlines.
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, with strong problem-solving abilities.

Preferred Skills and Abilities

- Experience with genome-editing technologies (e.g., CRISPR/Cas9, HDR strategies).
- Experience with multiplex RT-qPCR.
- Familiarity with high-throughput automation platforms for molecular biology workflows.

Education and Experience

- Currently enrolled in, or have graduated within the past year from, an undergraduate or master's programme, or currently pursuing a PhD.
- Demonstrated experience conducting academic research.

Terms and Condition:

- The applicant should hold Mauritian citizenship.
- Remuneration: The selected candidate will receive approximately USD 25–45 per hour, depending on qualification, experience and skills and is expected to work 40 hours/week.
- Airfare: Round-trip airfare will be fully covered.
- Cost of accommodation will be borne by the applicant.
- For further information regarding accommodation, visa arrangements, and medical insurance, please contact the MIBL.

Mode of Application

Eligible candidates are requested to submit their application using the prescribed form ([Click here](#)), together with:

- A CV (maximum 3 pages),
- Testimonials, and
- Recommendation letter(s).

Applicants should demonstrate relevant skills, explain their motivation for applying and describe how the skills acquired during the internship will benefit their career.

Applications should be submitted by **12 June 2026**.

For any query, please contact to the MIBL via email at contact@miblmu.com or telephone 490 02 22.
