

EXCELLENCE IN DESIGN PROJECT

CONSTRUCT THE DISCOVERY PARTNERS INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATION & RESEARCH

WHO

The Illinois Capital Development Board in cooperation with the University of Illinois and the Discovery Partners Institute is **seeking professional services consultants** for the design, bid/award, and construction administration services for a new facility.

WHAT

With a budget of **\$250,000,000** the Discovery Partners Institute (DPI) will construct a new iconic building in the South Loop as part of Chicago's "78 Development." The expertise of a design team consisting of an architect and engineers is needed to design an architecturally significant innovation and research center.

The DPI is a leading global research institute that brings together the best and brightest students, faculty, and researchers from the University of Illinois, global universities, industry partners, and federal research laboratories to tackle big societal challenges and foster innovation and entrepreneurship.

WHEN

On **May 14, 2020** the Capital Development Board will publish a special volume of its Professional Services Bulletin kicking off a three-stage selection process. This public procurement period ends July 2, 2020 at 4:00 P.M. CST. The process will culminate in the selection of an architect and their team of consultants through a conceptual design competition.

WHY

The DPI building will be the **cornerstone of an innovation hub** that will attract companies to create a high-tech campus. Led by the University of Illinois System in partnership with local and global research universities, it will attract, develop, and leverage the most ambitious people and companies the region has to offer, and get them to stay.

HOW

Interested firms must be prequalified with CDB BEFORE July 2, 2020. Application processing may take up to 30 days. To begin the prequalification process visit www2.illinois.gov/cdb/business/pages/prequalification.aspx or scan this QR code.



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