

Call for tenders' details

Title: Study on benefits and drawbacks of remote voting solutions to support the preparation of a best practice guide for the use of digital tools to facilitate the exercise of EU citizens' political rights.

Start date: 04/03/2017

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Contracting authority: European Commission, DG Justice and Consumers (JUST)

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#	Submission date	Publication date	Question subject	Question	Answer
1	17/03/2017 16:08	22/03/2017 10:01	Qualification of Participation	<p>Dear Sirs,</p> <p>I make reference to your above-mentioned Call for Tenders and would be grateful for information on whether participation is open to a Switzerland-based private limited company with profit-oriented character?</p> <p>Furthermore, I would like to know whether such a company can be either a joint tenderer and/or subcontractor?</p> <p>Your prompt reply will be greatly appreciated. You may also reach me on my mobile: +41 79 360 26 18.</p> <p>Yours sincerely,</p> <p>Daniel Hänggi</p>	<p>22/03/2017</p> <p>Participation is open to a Switzerland-based private limited company and we confirm that such a company can also be either a joint tenderer and/or subcontractor.</p>

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2	23/03/2017 01:21	27/03/2017 09:39	Clarification of Section 2.3.1 General presentation of tasks	<p>On page 10 of the Terms of Reference, under Task 1: legal and policy research, under Scope:</p> <p>"The electoral laws of the all relevant Member States, and EU legislation, which regulate or enable remote voting, and the policies adopted by Member State authorities in this context."</p> <p>Could the European Commission clarify and further define "relevant Member States"?</p> <p>Has the European Commission already selected the relevant Member States that will be encompassed within the scope of this project? Or, is it at the discretion of bidders to present which Member States they feel are most relevant to the successful delivery of the project within the framework of their proposals, and taking into consideration the budget limitation outlined in the Terms of Reference (i.e. €300,000)?</p>	<p>27/03/2017</p> <p>Relevant Member State in this case is a Member State which has rules or practices which regulate or enable remote voting – of course, an overall review of all Member States would first need to be performed to identify those which do not possess such rules or practices, but once done, the focus would be on the relevant states.</p>

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3	11/04/2017 16:02	12/04/2017 09:54	Scope of the study	<p>Page 8 of the Request for Services specifies that "The study will cover, in line with EU competences, European Parliament Elections excluding national elections". However the study tasks described on p. 9 and 10 seem to be wider in scope.</p> <p>Should the study only collect data on Member State legislation and policies that are applicable to European Parliament elections (Task 1) and practises that have been trialled and implemented for the purpose of European Parliament elections (Task 2)?</p> <p>Or should the study include any law or policy on remote voting in general for Task 1 and any remote voting solutions trialled or implemented in the Member State, including national elections, in relation to Task 2?</p> <p>If the latter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what type of national elections should be included (e.g. presidential, parliamentary, local level) for Task 1 and 2? • Should the above mentioned sentence on p. 8 be understood as that Task 3 of the study should cover EP elections only. e.g. analyse whether solutions and practices are transferrable and could be 	<p>12/04/2017</p> <p>The study is indeed intended to provide analysis relevant to elections which are within the scope of EU law, but the survey of law and practice should be of broad scope. Therefore, tasks 1 and 2 were drafted to enable the contractor to consider national and other elections to permit the completest possible understanding of the state of the law and practice in the Member States. Task 3 should focus on how this might be applied to European Parliamentary elections.</p>

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