

## Call for tenders' details

Title: Study on exploring the possible employment implications of connected and automated driving

Start date: 19/05/2018

Time limit for receipt of tenders: 02/07/2018

Contracting authority: European Commission, DG Research and Innovation (RTD)

Status: Closed

## Call for tenders question list

#	Submission date	Publication date	Question subject	Question	Answer
1	11/06/2018 11:56	12/06/2018 15:36	Agreement / Power of Attorney	Is it authorized to have x number of Power of Attorney signed by x number of consortium members, instead of 1 sole Agreement/Power of attorney signed by x number of consortium members as required? The latest is namely not possible to arrange with original signatures within the deadline when there are many members from many different countries.	<b>12/06/2018</b> In the document library a new model document for Power of Attorney was published that allows more partial Powers of Attorney.

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2	11/06/2018 16:32	12/06/2018 15:50	"The evidence must be provided only on request".	<p>The sentence "The evidence must be provided only on request" (4.2.3, 4.2.4 A , 4.2.4 B) can be interpreted in various ways. In order to avoid any confusion, could you please confirm whether the requested evidences must or must not be provided AT THE TIME OF OFFER. This concerns the following evidences:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- copy of profit and loss</li> <li>- evidence A1 (references)</li> <li>- evidence A2</li> <li>- evidence A4</li> <li>- CV's of the team</li> <li>- language certificates</li> </ul>	<p><b>12/06/2018</b></p> <p>We confirm that the evidences concerning exclusion and selection criteria (4.1 and 4.2) don't have to be provided in the tender. The evidences will be required from the successful tenderer. However as mentioned under point 4.2.1 of the tender specification, the Contracting Authority reserves the right to require the evidence at any time during the procurement procedure and contract performance.</p>

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3	06/06/2018 11:17	13/06/2018 16:44	Team delivering the services	Can a tenderer propose team members based in the USA to fulfill one of the criteria relating to the team delivering the services? (Pages 27-28 of the tender specifications)	<b>13/06/2018</b> In paragraph 1.1 of the tender specification it is mentioned: "Where the plurilateral Agreement on Government Procurement concluded within the World Trade Organisation applies, participation in this procedure is also open to all natural and legal persons established in the countries that have ratified this Agreement, on the conditions it lays down." As USA is one of the signatories of this Agreement to the subject of this procurement, all natural and legal persons established in US can take part in this procurement. Furthermore, the object of the procedure (CPV code 7320000) is covered by Annex 5 of the Agreement as part of the Management consulting and related services (CPC codes 865, 866).

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4	14/06/2018 18:12	15/06/2018 11:28	Team delivering the service	The first paragraph in B. of 4.2.4. states that the same person cannot be foreseen for more than one profiles. Later, in profiles B6 and B7 it states that only profiles B2, B3, B4, and B5 cannot participate as members of B6 / B7. So can B1 be part of B6 / B7?	<b>15/06/2018</b> According to 4.2.4, a different person must participate to each single profile, with the purpose of ensuring full and in-depth coverage of the interdisciplinary character of the study. This interdisciplinary character derives from the wide range of scientific expertise needed to cover the scope and methodological requirements of the study. The project management tasks do not refer directly to the coverage of the specific interdisciplinary requirements. In this sense, the Project Manager in particular (B1) may also be member of the Team for Data Collection (B6) and GIS Team (B7).

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5	15/06/2018 19:15	18/06/2018 11:38	Participating in two separate bids	Can a person (not the leader of the tender) be part of two separate bid consortia?	<b>18/06/2018</b> Procurement procedures are launched in the context of a free market economy. Therefore a direct participation (consortium) or an indirect participation (subcontracting) of one and the same economic operator in more than one tender for the same procurement procedure is acceptable as long as there is no conflict of interests or no distortion of fair competition. If such conflict of interest or breach of competition rules exist, it could lead to rejection of the whole tender.

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6	22/06/2018 18:50	25/06/2018 11:45	GIS experts	Could you please elaborate on the role and responsibilities of the GIS experts in the study team?	<p><b>25/06/2018</b></p> <p>The requirement of having GIS experts in the team with the described expertise is one of the selection criteria (page 28, point 4.2, criterion B7 of the tender specification). These criteria must be fulfilled by the tenderers and express the necessary capacities of the tenderer that are needed for a successful fulfilment of the contract.</p> <p>However the "organisation of the work and resources" is 2nd award criterion (page 29, point 4.3 of the tender specification). Award criteria express the requirements based on that the Contracting Authority will assess the tender.</p> <p>It is therefore up to the tenderer to elaborate in the tender on the role and responsibilities of the GIS experts in the study team.</p>

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7	26/06/2018 13:05	28/06/2018 10:29	Extension of Submission Deadline	We are writing on behalf of an association of ICF, Fraunhofer Institute, Cambridge Econometrics and TM Leuven, to request a change in the submission deadline for the assignment Study on exploring the possible employment implications of connected and automated driving 2018/S 095-214654 from 2 July to 9 July. This additional time will facilitate the submission of a significantly stronger offer in what is a very important project for which this team is very highly qualified.	<b>28/06/2018</b> The Contracting Authority does not envisage the extension of the deadline. The deadline set by the Contracting Authority complies with the article 152.2 of the rules of application (Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 on the rules of application of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union amended by Commission delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2462 of 30 October 2015). The Contracting Authority draws the attention to the fact that the approach concerning the selection criteria and the supporting documents to be submitted only on request by the Contracting Authority simplifies the process and allows the economic operators to save time and concentrate on the technical and financial offer.
8	27/06/2018 13:59	28/06/2018 10:30	Submission of the bid	Can you please confirm that the deadline 02/07/18 is when the bid is handed over to the post office or courier and not when you receive the bid. So you might receive the bid after the 02/07/18. Thanks.	<b>28/06/2018</b> We confirm that your understanding is right. The deadline 02/07/18 is when the bid is handed over to the post office or courier and not when we receive the bid.

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