

Call for tenders' details

Title: Blueprint for sectoral cooperation on skills: Towards an EU strategy addressing the skills needs of the steel sector

Start date: 14/07/2018

Time limit for receipt of tenders: 10/09/2018

Contracting authority: European Innovation Council and Small and Medium-sized Enterprises Executive Agency (EISMEA)

Status: Closed

Call for tenders question list

#	Submission date	Publication date	Question subject	Question	Answer
1	30/07/2018 15:54	03/08/2018 12:41	request for clarification	dear Sir, MAdame Would the formal participation of The European Steel Association (EUROFER) AISBL international not-for-profit organisation under Belgian law, based in Brussels, representing steel employers, as tenderer be accepted or would it be considered as a conflict of interest.? thanks	03/08/2018 The Contracting Authority can only decide whether there are or not professional conflicting interests once it has received and analysed the concrete tender. If that would be the case, the Contracting Authority may decide to reject the tender, considering that for the contract in question, the tenderer does not have the professional capacity to perform according to the expected quality standards

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2	29/08/2018 09:56	03/09/2018 15:49	request for clarification	<p>1. Criterion A1 concerning technical and professional capacity mandates that the tenderer must prove experience either in the field of education and/or vocational training and/or skills development (related to the steel sector or other similar sectors...). As evidence, the tenderer must provide references for at least 2 training or educational/vocational projects delivered in these fields in the last 5 years. The following information must be provided in relation to each: title of the project, name of the organisation funding it, budget, site of the activity, agenda of the event and list of participants.</p> <p>The last item (in bold) closely resembles a request under Criterion A3: perhaps it can be considered as a typing error in the context of Criterion A1 and thus be overlooked, or does it also apply here?</p> <p>2. Can skills analysis and organisational change projects in these sectors also be considered as relevant evidence, in addition to training or educational/vocational projects?</p> <p>3. Can ongoing projects also be put forth as evidence?</p>	<p>03/09/2018</p> <p>1. The criteria relating to tenderers as well as evidence requirements from the Tender specifications should be read and understood as indicated in the document, i.e. there is no typing error in the context of Criterion A1.</p> <p>2. The tenderers must prove experience either in the field of education and/or vocational training and/or skills development related to the steel sector or other similar sectors as indicated in the Tender specifications.</p> <p>3. As a general rule, the references for projects need to be for completed and delivered projects in order to serve as evidence of compliance with the technical selection criteria. A "completed project" is understood as a project where all the outputs under the contract have been approved by the contracting authority. In the case of contracts/projects divided into independent phases/parts/components where the output of each phase/part/component has been completed and formally approved by the contracting authority, such a contract phase/part/component may be accepted as a reference to a completed project, provided the</p>

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				forth as evidence?	completed project, provided the completed output alone proves the technical capacity requirement for which it was submitted. Please note that the evidence for the formal approval of this output (including e.g. a certificate letter) may be requested by the contracting authority.

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3	29/08/2018 09:56	03/09/2018 15:53	request for clarification	<p>1. Criterion B2 concerning the team delivering the service states that at least 3 members of the team should have at least C1 level in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages in English. As evidence, the tenderer must provide language certificates and at least 2 documents of at least 10 pages published or delivered to a client in the last 2 years. Are we correct in assuming that language certificates will not be necessary in case of native speakers or experts with graduate or post-graduate degrees from UK or US Universities? Will the Contracting Authority be requiring the 2 documents in English also in case of native speakers or experts with graduate or post-graduate degrees from UK or US Universities?</p> <p>2. Criterion B3 concerning the team delivering the service states that at least 2 experts plus the Project Manager should have at least 3 years of experience in the field of skills and competences in the steel sector or other related sectors. Would you please confirm that the Oil & Gas and Cement & Concrete production sectors can be considered as “related sectors”?</p>	<p>03/09/2018</p> <p>1. Concerning the English native speaking members of the team, no language certificate is required in case it is clear and indisputable from the CVs that these team members are native speakers. Concerning the experts with graduate or post-graduate degrees from UK or US Universities, no language certificate is required in case it is clear and indisputable from the CVs that these team members have degrees from UK or US Universities. The other evidence requested for B2 - at least two documents of at least 10 pages published or delivered to a client in the last two years - should be part of the submitted offer.</p> <p>2. Concerning the experience in the field of skills and competences in the steel sector or other related sectors, oil & gas and cement & concrete production sectors cannot be considered as related sectors. Related sectors include for example other metals production.</p>

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