

Call for tenders' details

Title: Improved evidence-based policy-making, implementation practices and coordination in the ESP sector and strengthened capacities to participate in ESF

Start date: 14/01/2022

Time limit for receipt of tenders: 26/08/2022

Contracting authority: Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR)

Status: Closed

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#	Submission date	Publication date	Question subject	Question	Answer
1	27/01/2022 10:10	17/02/2022 11:32	request for clarification	According to 16.3}b. The candidate has provided services under at least 3 contracts/assignments in EU Member States, candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process. could you pls clarify which will be the budget/proportion carried out, in the reference period and in which fields?	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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2	28/01/2022 15:52	17/02/2022 11:33	Professional Capacity	Dear Sir/Madam, In the Additional information about the Contract Notice in the section "Professional Capacity" (point 16.2) we are requested to provide our staff numbers for the areas 'Social Services', 'Social Protection', 'Promotion of Active Labour Market Measures' and 'Employment Services'. Could you please clarify which kind of documentary proof you will require during the tender stage? Would a confirmation letter from our HR department be sufficient? Thank you very much. Kind regards, Magdalena Euler	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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3	28/01/2022 15:56	17/02/2022 11:34	Separate document for data of third entity	<p>Dear Sir/Madam, We are considering to include a project reference from a capacity-providing entity as proof of our technical capacity. In the "Additional information about the Contract Notice", point 16 Selection Criteria, it is mentioned: "Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criteria should be included in a separate document. "Does this mean that the "commitment declaration", "declaration on honour on exclusion criteria and selection criteria" as well as the project reference should not be included in the "Request to Participate", but submitted as a separate, additional document? Thank you and kind regards, Magdalena Euler</p>	<p>17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document</p>

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4	28/01/2022 16:08	17/02/2022 11:35	Documentary evidence	<p>Dear Sir/Madam, Concerning the Instructions to Tenderers of the PRAG</p> <p>2021, 4.1 Technical Offer: "The documentary evidence listed in point 5 and 6 below should not be submitted within the deadline for submitting tenders. Instead, they should be prepared by tenderers and kept available for the contracting authority. At any time during the procurement procedure the contracting authority may request the documentary evidence. When requested, the tenderer should provide the documentary evidence within a short deadline. In any case, the tenderer proposed by the evaluation committee for the award of the contract, will be requested to provide documentary evidence listed in points 5 and 6 listed below prior to the award of the contract." Is our understanding correct, that documentary evidence relevant to Exclusion criteria and Selection Criteria might already be requested before the tender submission deadline ("anytime during the procurement procedure")? How</p>	<p>17/02/2022</p> <p>Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document</p>

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				How much time will the first-ranked bidder be given to provide the documentary evidence once requested? Kind regards, Magdalena Euler	

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5	02/02/2022 16:46	17/02/2022 11:36	Capacity-providing entities (undertakers) – Preparation of the “DECLARATION ON HONOUR ON EXCLUSION AND SELECTION CRITERIA”	Our question relates to points (b) (on the economic/financial criterion), (c) (on the technical criterion) and (d) (on the professional criterion) of Section VII – SELECTION CRITERIA , in the “DECLARATION ON HONOUR ON EXCLUSION AND SELECTION CRITERIA”. Our understanding is that capacity-providing entities (undertakers) are not required to fulfill the selection criteria, as they simply lend their necessary capacities to a consortium member, which effectively absorbs them. Therefore, it is the consortium member who will select “YES” (in case it fulfills individually the criteria, thanks to its capacity combined to those of its undertaker) while the capacity-providing entity itself has to select “N/A” at points (b) (on the economic/financial criterion), (c) (on the technical criterion) and (d) (on the professional criterion). Could you confirm this interpretation?	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document
6	02/02/2022 16:49	17/02/2022 11:37	Declaration on Honour - Section VII point (e)	Could you please confirm that to express compliance (no conflicting interests) with letter (e) table VII - Selection Criteria, the YES box has to be selected?	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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7	02/02/2022 16:52	17/02/2022 11:38	Selection criterion 16.2 – Professional capacity	Referring to Selection criterion 16.2 of the Addition Information to this Contract Notice, could you confirm that the same person can be counted in more than one of the four relevant fields indicated (for example, one person could work in both 'Social Service' and 'Social Protection')?	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document
8	04/02/2022 18:48	17/02/2022 11:39	Additional information about the Contract Notice - Selection criterion 16.3)b : Countries considered as candidate or potential candidate of the EU enlargement process.	In the document "additional information about the Contract Notice", the selection criterion 16.3)b states that "the candidate has provided services under at least 3 contracts/assignments in EU Member States, candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process". Can you confirm that all the countries currently benefiting from the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance IPA II (2014-2020), including Republic of Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo, Montenegro, Republic of North Macedonia, Republic of Serbia and Turkey, are considered as candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process ?	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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9	04/02/2022 18:50	17/02/2022 11:39	Additional information about the Contract Notice - Selection criterion 16.3)b : Countries considered as candidate or potential candidate of the EU enlargement process	In the document "additional information about the Contract Notice", the selection criterion 16.3)b states that "the candidate has provided services under at least 3 contracts/assignments in EU Member States, candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process". Could you please list the countries that are considered as "potential candidate" countries of the EU enlargement process ? Indeed, the notion of "potential candidate" is subject to interpretation. Thank you for your clarification	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document
10	04/02/2022 18:53	17/02/2022 11:41	Additional information about the Contract Notice - Selection criterion 16.3)b : Countries considered as candidate or potential candidate of the EU enlargement process	In the document "additional information about the Contract Notice", the selection criterion 16.3)b states that "the candidate has provided services under at least 3 contracts/assignments in EU Member States, candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process". Can you confirm that countries from the Eastern Partnership (EaP) are considered as "potential candidate" countries to the EU enlargement process ? Thank you for your clarification	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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11	04/02/2022 18:51	17/02/2022 11:42	Additional information about the Contract Notice - Selection criterion 16.3)b : Countries considered as candidate or potential candidate of the EU enlargement process	In the document “additional information about the Contract Notice”, the selection criterion 16.3)b states that “the candidate has provided services under at least 3 contracts/assignments in EU Member States, candidate or potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process”. Can you confirm that Georgia is part of the “potential candidate countries of the EU enlargement process” ? Indeed, the Georgian government has officially announced its plan to apply for full EU membership in 2024. Thank you for your clarification on this matter	17/02/2022 Please refer to the document library, Clarification no. 1 document

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