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REQUEST FOR SERVICES TITLE: TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE SADC TRADE RELATED FACILITY (TRF)

RESPONSES TO REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION ON THE PREQUALIFICATION DOCUMENTS

Question 1:

In section 2.1.b of the Qualifications Requirements it is required that “The Partners have worked successfully as a lead partner on at least 4 contracts with a value of at least 1,000,000. EURO in the fields of; Regional Trade or Economic Integration which were completed at any point within the last five (5) years. “ It is latter required that “all partners together must meet the requirement.”

To illustrate: in a situation where there would be for instance 3 partners, must each of the 3 partners meet the criteria of having successfully implemented 4 contract, or is it sufficient if the 3 together have implemented 4 such contracts?

Response:

It is sufficient if the 3 together have implemented 4 such contracts.

Question 2:

The Prequalification Data Sheet indicates the following: ‘ITA 5.12: The Applicant shall not have the obligation of submission of the documentary proof for exclusion criteria’. ITA 5.12 refers to contracts with a value of less than USD 300,000 and states that the obligation to submit documentary proof for exclusion criteria can be waived. Please can you clarify whether ITA5.12 applies to this specific procurement process for which the contract value is presumably higher than USD 300,000?

Response:

No documentary proof is required under this prequalification procedure.
**Question 3:**

ITA 5.12 further states that “when this obligation has been waived, the Procuring Entity shall still request a sworn / solemn statement issued by the interested party in front of a judicial or administrative authority, a notary or a qualified professional body from the applicant’s country”. Please can you clarify:

a) Is it a requirement to provide a sworn statement which must be notarised?

b) If so, does the contractor have the option to submit the documentary proof for exclusion criteria instead of the notarised statement?

**Response:**

We do need a sworn statement but it does not need to be notarised.

**Question 4:**

ITA 14.1 states: ‘the Applicant shall complete the Application Submission Form (including the eligibility declaration)’. The eligibility declaration does not appear to be part of the Application Forms. Please could you advise where it can be found?

**Response:**

This is covered by point 3c in the Application Submission Form.

**Question 5:**

In the case of bidding as a Single Entity, could you please confirm the Qualification Requirements would be per point 2.1: “Experience in implementing similar contracts”?

**Response:**

A single entity must meet the requirements of both 2.1(a) and 2.1(b).