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Answers to the questions from the interested suppliers No 9

RB Rail AS presents the following answers to the questions received within open *competition "Expert services for Rail Baltica Global Project" ID No RBR 2020/8* until 8 June 2020 from the interested suppliers:

suppliers:		
No	Questions	Answers
1.	With respect to your answer to Q&A published on 22 May 2020 Procurement Commission clarifies that according to Clause No 4.3.2. of Draft Framework Agreement the Principal before issue of each Request for Assignment may set individual deadline when response stating availability to implement the Assignment shall be submitted. The time necessary to prepare and submit proposal will be set by Principal considering the workload necessary to prepare proposal for specific request for Assignment. Term 1 business day is just a minimum possible deadline which may be applied. It is expected that within 1 business day Contractor will respond on availability or rejection in general. Do we understand correctly that deadline for rejection decision and deadline for proposal submission may be two separate deadlines? In question submitted on 22 May 2020 it was indicated that preparation of proposal might take more than 1 business day. Similarly, also conclusion of whether any of conditions in ToR article 4.7 are met due to which contractor must reject participation in Assignment or Request for Proposal might require more than 1 business day to analyse. We kindly request to treat these as one deadline.	Procurement Commission clarifies that term for submission of proposal and term for rejection shall be considered as the same deadline. The deadline 1 business day is just a minimum and for every separate request for assignment deadline will be set considering the complexity and specifics to prepare response. Please take into account that deadline could be also extended by the Principal if reasonable.
2.	With respect to ToR parts: 8.5. Information provided in the Proposal to prove the compliance with above-mentioned requirements for Legal standing, Economic and financial standing (Section 8.2. and Section 8.3. of the Regulations), Technical and professional	Procurement Commission notes that the Tenderer's proposal according to the Section 14, Paragraph two of the Public Procurement Law of the Republic of Latvia shall be treated as confidential in any case and it is under responsibility of the contracting authority to keep this information secure.

ability (Section 8.4 of the Regulations) shall be clear and understandable without any additional analysis or external proof of the submitted information. The Contracting authority shall not be obliged to use additional sources of Tenderer shall remain fully responsible for the provision of sufficiently detailed information in the Proposal required to confirm clearly the compliance with qualification requirements set in the Regulations

Annexes attached by the Tenderer on its own discretion: (Feedback letters, other documents which proves successful delivery of the services and completion of the contract (if possible).

Please clarify what conditions (if any) should be met for confidential credentials to be accepted for qualification purposes? What would be considered as sufficiently clear and understandable proof of successful delivery of project for confidential credentials where we cannot disclose client? Would signed self-declaration of detailed scope/methodology and/or parts of highly anonymized materials and/or interview with the team about anonymized topics of certain credential would be acceptable?

In order to prove the compliance with the selection requirements stipulated under section 8.4 of Regulation, the Tenderer shall be able to fill all required fields in Annex No 4 in order to present previous experience.

At least information regarding previously delivered services (project/ contract title and short description of services provided), contract period, name of the client and contact information for references shall be presented to prove compliance with selection requirements stipulated under section 8.4 of Regulation.

In case of any doubts additional evidences to prove previous experience may be asked by procurement commission, if necessary.

Procurement Commission Chairperson

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