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## Electronic Procurement System

***Answers to questions from interested suppliers  
in the open competition "Requirements Management Tool  
supply, implementation and maintenance",  
identification number RBR 2021/4***

RB Rail AS presents following answers to questions received from interested suppliers until 29 April 2021:

Nr.	Question	Answer
1.	<p>Could you please confirm that Systems Engineering services (SI) after implementation and configuration of the tool (first 4 months) are not included as part of the scope of the tender? In other words, are SI roles part of the services to be provided by the tendered? Although there are some references to the users of the tool (e.g. requirement management group, V&amp;V group, interface group, etc), it seems like these SI activities are not part of the scope of this tender.</p>	<p>Procurement commission hereby confirms your interpretation that Systems Engineering services are not part of the scope of the open competition "Requirements Management Tool supply, implementation and maintenance", ID No RBR 2021/4, (hereinafter – Procurement) <u>after configuration and full implementation of the Requirements Management Tool.</u></p> <p>However, during the Requirements Management Tool configuration and implementation Supplier in the service provision must involve professional personnel that is appropriate to the specific task, so that the Supplier could meet all the requirements specified in the Procurement regulations, specifically, in the Technical specification. All costs related to Requirements Management Tool configuration and implementation (including personnel costs) should be included in the proposed contract price.</p>
2.	<p>The Data Storage Location specifies that data is stored within the European Union Economic Area [..]. What is the position if server hosting provision is based in the United Kingdom (UK)? We achieve all the</p>	<p>As Rail Baltica Global project has the status of critical infrastructure, in accordance with the laws and regulations applicable to such infrastructure requirement regarding the data storage (Section 8.4.3 of the Procurement</p>

<p>necessary security requirements; however, the UK left the EU in 2021.</p>	<p>regulations and Section 4.2 of the Annex No 1 "Technical specification" of the Procurement regulations) is mandatory as it follows from the law.</p> <p>However, considering the recent changes in the European Union and the special status of the United Kingdom, the Procurement commission informs that it has requested responsible authority's permission to derogate from this requirement and to allow data to be stored in the United Kingdom as well. Considering this, the answer in substance to the question will be given as soon as the answer from the responsible authority will be received.</p> <p>Additionally, the Procurement commission asks potential suppliers not to rely on this decision of the responsible authority, but to consider relocating the relevant data to the European Union or European Economic Area or choose to store data within the European Union or European Economic Area.</p>
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Sincerely,

Procurement commission chairperson / secretary

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