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Answers to the questions received from the interested suppliers in the open competition

“Identification of unexploded ordnance and geotechnical works in former Cekule military area”, identification number RBR 2021/10

RB Rail AS presents following answers to the questions received from the interested suppliers until 9 June 2021:

Nr.	Questions	Answers
1.	<p>The technical specification of the procurement anticipates to evaluate the submitted proposals considering the lowest price, respectively awarding the cheapest Financial proposal as the winner, but at the same time the procurement does not specify the exact scope of works and the submitted proposals will not be correctly compared, thus raising concerns about the objectivity of the procurement because tenderers may have different understanding of the amount of work required and also the costs of detections and removal of unexploded ordnance.</p> <p>For that reason, please provide detailed (exact) scope of works to be performed, such as the exact depths of the planned boreholes, the specific number of samples to be taken in different techniques, the exact names of laboratory tests that significantly impacts the contractor's labour costs as well as the actual deadlines or change the evaluation approach for the procurement from the evaluation of the total amount or “LUMP SUM” to the evaluation of unit costs, thus promoting fair and open procurement process among all tenderers and reducing the currently inadequately high risks to the potential contractor.</p>	<p>Procurement Commission clarifies that Technical specification (Annex No 2 of open competition regulation) and related answers to the questions received from the interested suppliers (available on: https://www.railbaltica.org/tenders/identification-of-unexploded-ordnance-and-geotechnical-works-in-former-cekule-military-area/) provide all information what is at disposal of RB Rail AS and which should be sufficient in order to prepare appropriate bid for this Competition. We fully understand your doubts regarding potential risks, especially part of services covering detection and removal of unexploded ordnance, but at the same time we rely on professionalism of the potential suppliers based on their previous experience to identify and mitigate these risks in order to prepare appropriate proposal. Procurement Commission kindly notes that Technical specification generally is based on the same approach which was used for previous tenders regarding detailed technical design of mainline sections in</p>

<p>Translation in Latvian:</p> <p>Iepirkuma tehniskā specifikācija iesniegtos piedāvājumus paredz vērtēt pēc zemākās cenas, respektīvi par uzvarētāju pasludinot lētāko summāro piedāvājumu, taču tajā pat laikā iepirkumā nav noteikti precīzi darbu apjomi, tas ir – arī iesniegtie piedāvājumi nav un nebūs korekti salīdzināmi, šādā veidā radot bažas par procedūras objektivitāti, jo dažādiem pretendentiem var būt dažāda izpratne par nepieciešamo darbu apjomu un arī attiecīgo izpēti un atminēšanas darbu izmaksām.</p> <p>Šajā sakarā lūdzam sniegt konkrētu (precīzu) veicamo darbu/pozīciju apjomu, piemēram, precīzus plānoto urbumu dziļumus, konkrētu dažādās tehnikās noņemamo paraugu skaitu, precīzu laboratorijas testu nosaukumus un to skaitu, kas būtiski maina izpildītāja darba izmaksas kā arī reālos izpildes termiņus vai arī mainīt iepirkuma vērtēšanu no kopējās summas jeb "LUMP SUM" vērtēšanas uz atsevišķu pozīciju vienas vienības summas vērtēšanu, tādējādi veicinot starp visiem pretendentiem godīgu un atklātu iepirkuma norisi un samazinot šobrīd neadekvāti augstos riskus potenciālajam darbu izpildītājam.</p>	<p>whole Baltic States, including also provision of geotechnical investigations.</p> <p>Despite the complexity of subject matter of this competition and related risks we would like to encourage you to observe participation in this competition by submitting proposal.</p>
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Procurement Commission Chairman

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