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Answers to the questions received from the interested suppliers in the open competition "Detailed technical design and design supervision services for main line section from Riga International Airport to Misa and from Upeslejas to railway station "Rīga – Preču"" (ID No RBR 2023/17)

RB Rail AS presents following answer to the question received from the interested supplier until 21 May 2024:

No	Question	Answer
1	Could you kindly clarify if clause 2.1.r of Annex 2 "Technical specifications" is a task only related to site investigations and does not concern construction works?	Requirements of the clause 2.1.r) of Annex 2 "Technical specifications" are related to the development and approval of Detailed Technical Design (DTD) which is the basis for implementation of construction and installation works. The clause refers to mandatory requirements and documentation of the DTD.
2	Could you kindly confirm which are the standards to be considered for the scope of services of this bid?	The Consultant shall follow EU directives, Technical Specifications for Interoperability, all Country's construction and other national legislation, EU standards, Country-specific legislation/standards/rules and other legal acts applicable for the provision of the Design Services as well as this Agreement and Rail Baltica Design Guidelines, other guidelines and documents of RB Rail AS / Client used in this Technical Specification.
3	Could you kindly clarify mentioned in Annex 4, Table 1.3. specification regarding the following:	Procurement commission clarifies the following: 3.1 Item "boreholes" includes geotechnical drilling, sampling and necessary laboratory testing (field

	<p>3.1 Do we understand correctly that Borehole is drilling with soil probing, but without any field testing?</p> <p>3.2 Do we understand correctly that Borehole and field tests is drilling and field tests (CPT (cone penetration testing) or DPT/DPSH (dynamic penetration)) in the same location?</p>	<p>testing excluded) as per Annex No. 18 of Technical Specification, chapter 4.7.1 with all the associated reporting and presentation of geotechnical data according to EN 1997-2, section 6.</p> <p>3.2 Item "boreholes and field tests" includes geotechnical drilling, sampling, necessary laboratory testing as per Annex No.18 of Technical Specification, chapter 4.7.1) AND field testing (CPT, DPH, SPT etc.) with all the associated reporting and presentation of geotechnical data according to EN 1997-2, section 6. The distance between the borehole and field test shall be ≥ 2 to ≤ 15 m.</p>
4	<p>Regarding DPS2: Will the new standard gauge line be built alongside the existing 1520mm gauge line or in its place? Are the existing freight sidings within the perimeter (1520mm gauge) to be considered (upgrading to standard gauge, connection to Rail Baltica or other)?</p>	<p>In DPS2 BP2.1.-2.3. 1520mm gauge railway shall be redesigned as shown in Annex No 17, as stipulated in the Technical Conditions of the Affected Parties, including Annex No 16, as well as stipulated in Annex No 2, Technical Specification, table 7. 1520mm gauge railway freight siding tracks shall be redesigned with the connection to 1520mm railway as shown in the Annex No 17, with the consideration of the neighboring Design Sections. 1520mm gauge freight track upgrade to standard gauge/ Rail Baltica tracks or other is not required.</p>
5	<p>In Annex 2, item 2.3.1: What does "Location of catenary supporting structures (including fixing elements)" mean precisely ?</p>	<p>Fixing solutions and fixing elements for OCS supporting on structures shall be designed in detailed level in DTD and MD in accordance with the Annex No 2, "Technical Specification" and "Design Guidelines", Annex No1.</p>
6	<p>Could you kindly confirm If the elaboration of an Environmental Impact Assessment is part of the scope of the services?</p>	<p>As stipulated in the Clause 2.2.12. of the Annex No 2, "Technical Specification" the Consultant shall prepare all the technical information, solutions, layout drawings, technical descriptions, expert's assessments and all the supporting information as from the Consultant's perspective for the respective BPs or Design Priority Section for the environmental procedures (including application for environmental screening or new EIA) as requested by the authorities. The Client shall be responsible for the communication, applications and coordination of the further environmental procedures. Applications to receive TC,</p>

		including amendments of TC shall be Consultant's responsibility.
7	Could you kindly provide information regarding the technical specification of the topographical survey mentioned on clause 2.1.1.e of Annex 2 "Technical Specification"? In addition, could you kindly confirm the payment method related to the topographical survey?	As per clause 4.1.1 of Annex No 2, "Technical specification" the topographical survey shall be carried out in accordance with Country's applicable legislation, regulations, standards, including municipality requirements, and other requirements covered in the Technical Specification, Design Guidelines and Rail Baltica Additional requirements for site investigations (Annex No. 18 of Technical Specification). The surveyed area shall completely cover all design solutions, as well as additional distance, which allows to align the designed solutions with the existing solutions and interface with the other design disciplines neighboring infrastructure (railway, roads, utilities etc.). All costs and expenses for topographical surveys shall be included in remuneration for deliverables as per table 1.1 "Remuneration for the Design Services without investigations" of Annex 4. Payments related to the topographical survey shall be made as per clause 5.1. of Appendix 4 "Remuneration and Payment" of the Agreement.
8	Could you kindly confirm that the scope of services concerns Design Supervision Services and not Works Supervision Services?	The Consultant shall carry out the Design Supervision Services (in Latvian: autoruzraudzība) in accordance with Country's construction law and Annex No.2, "Technical Specification". According to Country's construction law and Annex No.2, "Technical Specification", it does not include Work Supervision Services (in Latvian: būvuzraudzība).
9	Could you kindly provide detailed technical specification regarding deliverables to be provided during the Detailed Technical Design described on clause 4.5 of Annex 2 "Technical Specification".	As stipulated in item 4.5 of Annex No.2 "Technical Specification" Detailed Technical Design shall be carried out in two deliverables per every BP: 1) DTD before upload in BIS; 2) DTD approved in BIS. Detailed description of each deliverable is provided under item 4.6 and 4.7 of Annex No.2 "Technical Specification", including item 4.5. etc.
10	We understand that the connection point Between the Railway section, part of this scope, starting at Riga International Airport and the northern section, outside of this scope, is done over a viaduct. Could you	As per Annex 4 table 10.1 and Annex 2 "Technical Specification" table 7 and Annex No 16 the scope of the Consultant awarded with this contract covers the closing span of the Riga International Airport viaduct. Based

	kindly confirm that the Consultant in charge of the northern railway section, outside of this scope, is in charge of the Viaduct design and input will be provided to the Consultant awarded with this contract to carry out design and verify connection point?	on the input information from the designer of the neighboring design section, the Consultant shall verify the connection point and design the closing span of the viaduct, including all the necessary solutions that ensure connection with existing design.
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Sincerely,

Procurement commission chairperson / secretary

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