

Notice of Call for Expression of Interest (CEI): EMSA/CEI/1/2026 for the establishment of an External Experts Database by the European Maritime Safety Agency

Questions and Answers

Number	Question	Date and time	Reply
1	<p>I would like to inquire about the following:</p> <p>In the required supporting document titled "Declaration of Honour on Exclusion Criteria and Selection Criteria," Section VI requires, among other things, the submission of a recent certificate providing evidence covering all taxes and social security contributions for which the person is liable (e.g. VAT, taxes, etc.).</p> <p>In order to submit the relevant document, the competent authority responsible for issuing it requires the completion of EMSA's Tax Identification Number (TIN).</p> <p>I would kindly ask you to provide me with this information so that I may proceed with submitting my application for inclusion in the EMSA external experts database.</p>	20 March 2026 18:22	<p>Please note that at this stage of the registration procedure, there is no need to submit evidence in support of the Declaration of Honour, as per point 7 of the CEI Notice.</p> <p>Such evidence may, however, be requested by EMSA at a later stage.</p>
2	<p>I am in the process of renewing my registration but it seems that my original account is no longer working. I guess the credentials have expired.</p> <p>However, when I use the link "forgot password" the page simply loops and brings me back to the</p>	20 March 2026 21:16	<p>Please note that the previous External Experts Database, based on CEI/1/2021, will expire in May 2026. For that reason, those credentials may no longer be used.</p> <p>The new External Experts Database, based on</p>

	<p>log-in stage. No mail is returned with the necessary reset link.</p> <p>Noting that I have signed a contract with EMSA on the basis of my registration, I have no doubt that the original registration is still active so I should indeed expect a reset-email.</p>		<p>CEI/1/2026, must therefore be newly created, meaning the previous user accounts for the previous Database are not valid for the new Database.</p> <p>If it is the first time that you are accessing the new tool, you must start with the "Register" button and create a new account.</p> <p>External Experts that registered during the previous CEI are still in the previous Database, and will remain there, but the previous registration tool is no longer accessible to the public in the last 3 months of validity of the Database.</p>
3.	<p>1. My account is not there anymore. You erased or something. Is not matter of the couple of days.</p> <p>2. In so many years, you did not offer ANY job. So, it is very clear that you have your own preferred people, with connections at your entity, that are getting the jobs. So, this transparency play, does not stand.</p>	20 March 2026 17:06	<p>1. Please see reply to question No.2 above.</p> <p>2. Please note that as indicated in the Notice for the Call for Expression of Interest No. CEI/1/2021: 'Inclusion in the EMSA Database of External Experts does not entail any obligation on EMSA's side to conclude a contract with any external expert.'</p> <p>The skills and experience of the Experts in the Database were evaluated with the view of a particular task to be performed by the External Expert. In those cases, EMSA issues a contract to the external expert for performance of the task(s) on the basis of the skills, experience and knowledge necessary and in accordance with the</p>

			<p>principles of non-discrimination, equal treatment, and absence of conflict of interests. Other criteria used may also be: a reasonable balance between academic and practical expertise, sufficient geographical representativeness, or a suitable rotation among External Experts in the EMSA Database.</p> <p><u>Please note that this procedure is not a recruitment process and does not concern jobs, but the selection of external experts for specific contract-based assignments. In accordance with the applicable rules, the contract award procedure requires an evaluation of all external experts in the database with the relevant profile, in line with the list annexed to the CEI Notice. The outcome of this evaluation must provide a clear justification for the selection of the chosen external expert, as well as the reasons for not selecting the other eligible external experts. This ensures that all steps of the procedure are conducted in a transparent, fair and objective manner.</u></p>
4.	I received the mail below and would like to renew and update my profile, but I cannot access my former account which was registered with [XXX] as login.	20 March 2026 16:28	Please see reply to question No. 2 above.

	<p>For an unknown reason, I can't neither access my account nor receive a new password by using the forgot password link. Does that mean that I am supposed to recreate a fully new profile with a new login and thus loose my existing data in the portal?</p>		
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