

## **ENCLOSURE T.1 - TENDER SPECIFICATIONS**

**Enclosed to Procurement Procedure No. EMSA/CPNEG/2/2017 concerning  
Service Contracts for stand-by oil spill recovery vessels**

**Competitive procedure with negotiations**

**Phase II - Invitation to Tender**

### **1. Note to Applicants**

Following Phase I, Application Phase, pre-selected candidates for EMSA/CPNEG/2/2017, will be invited to submit a bid to this Competitive procedure with negotiations in accordance with the rules set out in the Invitation to Tender and associated Enclosures and Annexes.

**The present Tender Specifications and relative Enclosures are published in the Application Phase.**

Requirements therein will only have to be addressed by those pre-selected candidates invited to tender.

Such invitation to tender is expected to take place by end of July 2017.

### **2. Procurement Procedure in the Phase II, Tender Phase**

In this Tender Phase the tenders submitted will be assessed against the following:

a) Grounds for rejection of the bid as established by the Application specifications:

- Respect of the Objectives and scope of the service (points 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3);
- Respect of the minimum requirements regarding service contract type and project phases (points 3.4 and 3.5);
- Respect of the minimum requirements regarding the proposed arrangement and the vessel (point 3.6);
- Respect of the minimum requirements regarding the equipment and pre-fitting (point 3.7);
- Respect of the maximum budget globally and per category of costs (point 6);
- Evidence Exclusion criteria (see point 12 of these tender Specifications regarding points 10.2 and 10.3 of the Application Specifications).

b) As established by these Tender specifications:

- Evaluation of the additional evidence provided regarding the Exclusion criteria (see point 12 of these Tender specifications), to confirm the Declaration on Honour provided in the Application Phase.
- Evaluation of the tender against the Award Criteria (see point 13) – the admissible bids (those from pre-selected candidates that have passed the evaluation against the grounds for selection under a) above will be evaluated according to the criteria identified in point 13 of these Tender Specifications.

EMSA will provide feedback to the companies/grouping concerned, in accordance with the principles of equal treatment and non-discrimination, to adapt, if required, the tenders to the requirements set in these Tender Specification and associated Enclosures.

The pre-selected candidates may request to attend “clarification meetings” where different aspects of the services required will be reviewed. Following the completion of the meetings, a consolidated “Question and Answers” document will be sent to the tenderers.

This will ultimately result in the identification of the tender offering the best value for money (based on quality and price) for the Agency.

Inclusion on the list of pre-selected candidates does not entail any obligation on the part of the Agency concerning the award of the contract.

### **3. Contract objectives, scope and minimum requirements**

Overall objective, specific objective, scope of the service, minimum requirements regarding the service contract, project phases, tasks, arrangement, vessel(s) and equipment are defined in the application specifications (Enclosure A.1 to the Invitation to Apply - paragraphs 3.1 to 3.7).

The area of operation remains the same as referred to in paragraph 3.3 of Enclosure A.1. - Application Specifications.

#### **3.1. Additional requirements regarding related tasks**

Additional requirements regarding the service, the arrangement, the vessel(s) and the crew are to be found in Enclosure T.2 - the Draft Vessel availability Contract and respective technical annexes, in particular:

- **Annex III** - Incident Response Contract-Vessel template;
- **Annex IV** - Technical Specifications for the Vessel/Pool of Vessels;
- **Annex V** - Technical Specifications for Equipment;
- **Annex VI** - Technical Specifications for mobilisation procedures;
- **Annex VII** - Technical Specifications for the quality of the crew;
- **Annex VIII** - Guidelines on Conducting Drills and Exercises;

### **4. Contract management responsible body**

The European Maritime Safety Agency - Pollution Response Services Unit - will be responsible for managing the contract.

### **5. Project planning, timetable and reporting**

The estimated date for signature of the service contracts is November 2017.

#### **5.1. Project milestones**

A range of project milestones are identified in the table below. **These milestones are indicative** and relate to actions to be taken by both the contractor and the Agency:

	Event	Comment	Indicative date
Preparation phase	Signature of the contract	This starts the Preparation Phase of the contract.	November 2017
	Kick-off meeting	At the date of the signature by both parties of the contract or shortly thereafter.	The earliest date is that of the contract signature
	Request for pre-financing	Proof of pre-financing guarantee and offers for Equipment and Pre-fitting Works should be submitted to EMSA by Contractor.	Maximum 10 working days after contract signature
	Transfer of the oil pollution response equipment	Equipment to be serviced - after the signature of the contract the equipment will be transferred to the new contractor by 15 March 2018 at the latest	The date will be agreed between EMSA and the new contractor
	Preparation of the vessel and the equipment	The contractor will undertake all necessary pre-fitting as well as servicing/overhauling of the transferred equipment; purchasing and installing the new additional equipment. In addition, the initial training will also take place.	by 30 June 2018
	Interim visits to contractor/vessel(s)	Agency visit to contractor and vessel(s) concerning progress of preparation phase.	
	Completion Report submitted by Contractor	Contractor to submit Completion Report and invoices to EMSA at the end of the Preparation Phase.	
	Vessel Inspection & 1 <sup>st</sup> ("Acceptance") Drill	EMSA (or representatives) to inspect vessel(s) and/or observe 1 <sup>st</sup> ("Acceptance") drill* within 14 days of receiving the Completion Report.	Within 14 Days of Completion Report submission
	EMSA's assessment of Completion Report finalised		Within 10 days from Vessel Inspection
	Request for Clearing and balance payment for pre-fitting costs and equipment	Following approval by EMSA of Completion Report, 1 <sup>st</sup> Drill and Vessel Inspection and when the net storage capacity is met.	Conditioned to acceptance by EMSA
Stand-by Phase	Stand-by Phase of contract starts		
	Quarterly drills		Once per quarter
	Availability Fee Payment Request	Contractor to submit payment request for the Availability Fee.	After the end of each quarter
	Stand-by Phase of Contract ends	End of the Contract.	45 months after stand-by phase starts (48 months in case no pre-fitting is required)
	Potential renewal of the stand-by phase	By mutual agreement, respecting initial conditions.	4 additional years

Event		Comment	Indicative date
Closure Phase	Storage and maintenance. Hand-over of equipment to following contractor, if applicable		Within 3 months following the end of the stand-by phase

## 5.2. Kick-off meeting

The implementation of the contract shall start from the date of the signature of the contract. The kick-off meeting will be organised at the initiative of EMSA, at the date of the signature of the contract or shortly thereafter. The meeting will take place at EMSA premises. The purpose of the kick-off meeting is to enable both contracting parties to discuss the project, as well as to settle all the details of the works to be undertaken. It is expected that the project manager of the contractor will be present at the kick-off meeting. EMSA will not reimburse the costs for attending the kick-off meeting.

## 5.3. Reports and documents to be submitted within the project

### 5.3.1. Completion Report and Supporting Documentation

At the end of the Preparation Phase the contractor will have to submit a Completion Report (per vessel in case of a pool). When the Completion Report is presented to the Agency, it should cover as a minimum the following elements:

- General description of the vessel and oil pollution response arrangements;
- The modifications performed to the vessel and the associated costs;
- The installation of on-board pollution response equipment and the associated costs;
- The oil pollution response equipment storage and maintenance plan and inventories;
- The relevant training activities undertaken for staff and crew;
- Description and evaluation of drills performed during preparation phase;
- Drill plan for the stand-by phase of the contract;
- The relevant emergency/ notification procedures covering the stand-by phase;
- The proof that all necessary certificates of the relevant authorities and/or classification societies have been issued covering the new and/or additional installations and purposes of the vessel.

In addition the following documentation should, as a minimum, also be provided in the Completion Report:

- A General Arrangement Plan illustrating the configuration of the vessel when undertaking at-sea oil recovery services;
- Diagrams presenting the at-sea oil recovery arrangement of the vessel, the decanting arrangement, the discharging arrangement and the piping for heating arrangement;
- Technical Manuals for the equipment that has been pre-financed by the Agency. Where available, such technical documentation must be in English;
- Insurance certificates including Full risk insurance for the oil pollution response equipment, Hull and Machinery insurance, Protection and Indemnity or Marine Liability insurance (including Specialist Operations cover), General Third Party Liability Insurance, Workmen's Compensation and Employer's Liability insurance for Employees, Liability for observers on behalf of EMSA and/or an Institution;

Both the contents of the Completion Report and the supporting documentation required will be further clarified by EMSA at the kick-off meeting with the contractor.

### **5.3.2. Other reports**

Other reports will have to be submitted by the contractor during Preparation and Stand-by phases, the content of which will be discussed at the Kick-off meeting. These reports include as a minimum:

- Bi-weekly report on works during the Preparation Phase;
- Monthly maintenance reports;
- Drills and exercises reports;
- Comprehensive Annual Report;
- Information on shipyard/dry dock periods.

## **6. Estimated value of the contracts**

The maximum budget available, excluding VAT, is indicated in the point 6 of the Application specifications.

**Such maximum budgetary ceilings are indicated in the Bid template section for tenderers to cross check their financial offer against them.** Please note that all costs incurred during the preparation and the submission of tenders are to be borne by the tenderers and will not be reimbursed.

## **7. Terms of payment**

Payments shall be issued in accordance to the provisions of the draft VAC (Enclosure T.2 to the Invitation to Tender).

## **8. Terms of contract**

When drawing up a tender, the tenderer should bear in mind the terms of the draft VAC (Enclosure T.2 to the Invitation to Tender).

EMSA may, before the contract is signed, cancel the award procedure without the tenderers being entitled to claim any compensation.

## **9. Pre-Financing guarantee**

EMSA can pre-finance, if requested, the equipment and the pre-fitting works according to the rules set-up in the draft VAC. A model of the required pre-financing guarantee is included in Annex IX of the VAC. In addition, guidelines summarising the pre-financing process and requirements are provided in Enclosure T.3 – Pre-financing Guidelines.

## **10. Subcontracting**

Changes in subcontractors between the Application Phase and the Tender phase will be acceptable (e.g. to incorporate in the grouping the vessel owner or charterer of the vessel(s) chosen in the Tender Phase) but:

- The Applicant shall remain the same;
- In case the change involves a subcontractor the pre-selected candidate was relying on, in the Application phase, to fulfil selection criteria as specified in point 10.4 (Economic and Financial capacity) or 10.5 (Technical and Professional capacity) of the invitation to Apply, then each new

subcontractor must provide the required evidence for the exclusion criteria and the selection criteria in question as per Application phase.

To rely on the capacities of a subcontractor means that the contractor has to use deliveries or services of another company and that this company and its special capacity is central to the capacity of the contractor to fulfil the contract and that it cannot be easily changed or replaced. For these essential sub-contractors also exclusion criteria will be evaluated.

## 11. Requirements as to the tender

- Only pre-selected candidates invited to Tender can submit a tender through the company and person authorised to head the project.
- Tenders can be submitted in any of the official languages of the EU. However, as the main working language of the Agency is English, tenders should in particular include an English version of the documents requested under point 13 of the present tender specifications.
- The tender, including prices, must be presented following the structure of Enclosure T.4 to the Invitation to tender: **“Bid Template”** (**NOTE: the Bid Template should be completed only during Phase II – Tender phase**). This template will help tenderers in ensuring that all the required documentation is submitted as well as aiding the evaluation process by the Agency.
- Each submission needs to be treated as an individual/unique bid and, accordingly, a full set of all relevant supporting documentation must be submitted with each bid.
- If the tenderer does not include any of the requested documents, a clear and thorough justification must be provided. Where the criteria is not applicable (e.g. due to vessel size/type) the tenderer must explain why this is the case.
- Note that documents sent during the Application Phase do not need to be re-submitted.

The tenderer should note the following important points:

- Variants (meaning technically or economically equivalent solutions for service) are not permitted.
- Failure to submit relevant information by the tenderer might be a ground for rejection of their tender from the procurement process.
- The responsibility lies with the tenderer to verify that all documentation requested in this Invitation to Tender is provided.
- Tenderers who would like to notify changes (in the legal form or bank account references notified during the application phase) are requested to complete and enclose in their bid the new Financial Identification Form. The Financial Identification Form is available through the EMSA website (select “Working with us” -> “Procurement” -> “Calls for Tender” -> Documents for the tenderer -> “Financial Form”). Please note that only one Financial Identification Form must be submitted even if the tenderer is a grouping (joint offer).

## 11. Price

### 11.1. General requirements regarding Price

- Prices for the service contracts for Stand-by oil spill response vessels shall include all the elements identified in part H of the Bid Template (Enclosure T.4 to the Invitation to tender - to be completed only during Phase II – Tender phase).

- Prices must be quoted in Euro using (with the exception of the countries within the EURO zone) the conversion rates published in the C series of the Official Journal of the European Union on the day when the Contract Notice was published.
- Under Article 3 and 4 of the Protocol on the privileges and immunities of the European Union, EMSA is exempt from all duties, taxes and other charges, including VAT. This applies to EMSA pursuant to the Regulation 1406/2002/EC. These duties, taxes and other charges can therefore not enter into the calculation included in the bid. The amount of VAT must be shown separately.
- Following the negotiations stage the tenderer is not allowed to change or replace the offer that will be presented in the final bid unless otherwise agreed with EMSA.

## **11.2. Price of the “Availability”**

It is appreciated that a range of factors contribute to the overall cost of the contract to the Agency. Accordingly, the Agency expects this overall cost, which is to be evaluated, to include the following three elements:

### **a) Availability Fee**

This is the fee that the Agency will pay to the contractor to have the vessel and oil pollution response equipment ready continuously in case of emergency. When calculating the fee, tenderers should consider that it covers any cost linked to the following services:

- Maintain the arrangement on stand-by to respond positively to all requests, passed on by the Agency, to provide assistance as an oil spill response vessel to a coastal State on the basis of the “Incident Response” contract with pre-determined fees;
- Establishing arrangements for emergency mobilisation following a request for at-sea oil recovery operations;
- Performance of four drills per year (one per quarter) to maintain the readiness of the arrangement, in accordance with Annex VIII of the VAC. Tenderers should consider that to deploy the booms during a drill an auxiliary boat or tug will be needed. In addition, the Contractor will be requested to perform an extended drill once per year over a period of minimum 2 days. During an extended drill, in addition to the performance of the practical deployment of the equipment, the Contractor will provide a theoretical training for all crew members involved in the pollution response activities (see Annex VIII of the VAC for more information);
- Training of crew, including refreshment courses;
- Storage and maintenance of pollution response equipment;
- Insurance for equipment;
- When applicable, cleaning of equipment after pollution response exercise(s).

### **b) Cost of Equipment**

This cost includes, as per requirements in Annex V of the VAC:

- the price of the equipment to be purchased including commissioning and transportation, when applicable;
- the transportation of the transferred oil pollution response equipment, including insurance. Tenderers must note that the cost of transportation will not be considered for the evaluation;
- the servicing/overhauling of the transferred oil pollution response equipment, where applicable.

Tenderers must clearly differentiate in their offers these three elements by filling appropriately Enclosure T.4 to the Invitation to tender. The sum of the costs of all the three elements must be within the

established budget ceiling. As indicated earlier, the cost of the training related to the equipment is covered by the Availability fee and accordingly cannot be included in the equipment quotation.

Tenderers should note that the Agency can pre-finance up to 100% of the cost of the oil pollution response equipment. The offers/quotations on which this cost is based must be attached to the bid. The summary table (included in appendix to the Bid Template) with a breakdown of the items together with the associated prices must be filled in appendix to Enclosure T.4 - Bid Template (to be completed only during Phase II – Tender phase). The offers/quotations must include the Technical Specifications of the item concerned.

c) Cost of Pre-fitting the Vessel or the Pool of Vessels

Tenderers should note that the Agency can pre-finance up to 80% of the cost of pre-fitting vessel(s). In order to treat a single vessel and variations of a pool of vessels on an equal basis, the Agency will consider the average price per vessel. The offers/quotations on which this cost is based must be attached to the bid. The summary table/sheet (included in appendix to the Bid Template) with a breakdown of the items together with the associated prices must be included as well. The offers/quotations must include the Technical Specifications. It is appreciated that the pre-fitting quotations may be more difficult to get within a short period. However, in case of award, such quotations must be submitted before the pre-financing. The offers/quotations must be in line with the Pre-financing guidelines (Enclosure T.3 to the Invitation to Tender).

The total cost for pre-fitting will be used for applying the price award criteria in point 13.2 below.

### **11.3. Price of Contracting the Vessel(s) to provide assistance**

Whilst the previous point identifies the price of the availability of the arrangement, it is also necessary to evaluate the price of contracting the vessel for actual at-sea oil recovery operations by the coastal State. Accordingly, it is necessary to evaluate the Incident Response Daily Rate.

#### Incident Response Daily Rate

Tenderers must propose an Incident Response Daily Rate per vessel for oil recovery services. Tenderers should note that:

- The “Incident Response Daily Stand-by Rate” as defined in the Incident Response Contract-Vessel (Annex III to VAC) is 75% of the Incident Response Daily Rate. This rate will apply for such activities as the vessel returning temporarily to port due to bad weather.
- The “Exercise Daily Rate”, to be paid by the Agency per vessel as defined in the VAC (Enclosure T.2), will be 75% of the Incident Response Daily Rate.
- The cost of vessel fuel (bunkers or equivalent) is not to be priced into the daily rates mentioned above. Only fuel costs for exercises and actual at-sea oil recovery operations will be covered by the Agency or the requesting coastal State as a separate element according to the rules of the VAC (Enclosure T.2).

### **11.4 Additional Information: Fuel Costs**

For financial reasons which are related to the Agency’s budgetary planning, tenderers are requested to provide estimates of the elements listed below. It should be noted that these elements will not be included in the award criteria evaluation process. For each vessel identified, the elements are:

- Proven or otherwise estimated fuel consumption (tonnes of fuel) for 24 hours whilst sailing at service speed (approx. 80% continuous rating of the engine).
- Proven or otherwise estimated fuel consumption (tonnes of fuel) for 24 hours whilst sailing at full speed (maximum continuous rating of engine), if different from above.



- Proven or otherwise estimated fuel consumption (tonnes of fuel) for 24 hours whilst sailing during at-sea oil recovery operations i.e. at low speed and manoeuvring.
- Proven or otherwise estimated fuel consumption (tonnes of fuel) for 24 hours whilst in port.
- Proven or otherwise estimated fuel consumption (tonnes of fuel) for the auxiliaries and the boiler, where applicable

## **12. Evidence relating to the Exclusion criteria in the Application phase**

During phase I - the Application Phase - pre-selected candidates were allowed to submit a Declaration of Honour as a sufficient proof of fulfilment of the exclusion criteria set out in point 10.2 of the Application Specifications. However, for phase II – the Tender Phase - and in order to evidence that they are not in one of the exclusion situations, tenderers are requested to submit the relevant documents listed below (as well as on pages 4 and 5 of the Declaration of Honour):

For exclusion situations described in (a), (c), (d) or (f) of point 10.2 of the Application Specifications (as well as in the Declaration of Honour) production of a recent extract from the judicial record is required or, failing that, an equivalent document recently issued by a judicial or administrative authority in the country of establishment of the tenderer showing that those requirements are satisfied.

For the exclusion situations described in (a) or (b) of point 10.2 of the Application Specifications (as well as in the Declaration of Honour), production of recent certificates issued by the competent authorities of the State concerned is required. These documents must provide evidence covering all taxes and social security contributions for which the tenderer is liable, including for example, VAT, income tax (natural persons only), company tax (legal persons only) and social security contributions. Where any document described above is not issued in the country concerned, it may be replaced by a sworn statement made before a judicial authority or notary or, failing that, a solemn statement made before an administrative authority or a qualified professional body in its country of establishment.

If the tenderer already submitted such evidence for the purpose of another procedure, its issuing date does not exceed one year and it is still valid, the tenderer shall declare on its honour that the documentary evidence has already been provided and confirm that no changes have occurred in its situation. The reference of the relevant procedure(s) should be mentioned.

If the tenderer is a legal person, information on the natural persons with power of representation, decision making or control over the legal person shall be provided only upon request by EMSA.

Any copies of official certificates or documents do not need to be translated into English and can be submitted in the original language.”

## **13. Award criteria**

The contract will be awarded to the tenderer who, having been found eligible with regard to the criteria indicated in point 12, submits the most economically advantageous tender (the one with the highest score), based on the following quality criteria and their associated weightings:

- Quality award criteria (vessel(s), equipment, logistics and crew), as weighted by percentage (70%) and
- Price award criteria (30%).

### 13.1. Quality Award Criteria (70%)

The table below shows the quality award criteria to be taken into account when evaluating the tenders and their weighting:

Quality Award Criteria (70%)	Weight (%)
<b>Adequacy of Vessel/Pool of Vessels</b> , based on the information in the bid addressing the requirements in Annex IV of the VAC	25 %
<b>Completeness and Quality of the proposed equipment (transferred and additional)</b> , based on the information in the bid addressing the requirements in Annex V of the VAC	10 %
<b>Completeness and Quality of Mobilisation Procedures</b> , based on the information in the bid addressing the requirements in Annex VI of the VAC	25 %
<b>Quality of Crew</b> , based on the information in the bid addressing the requirements in Annex VII of the VAC	10 %

N.B. Where general and/or specific criteria are identified as “**preferred**” then offers meeting such requirements will be evaluated higher.

### 13.2. Price Award Criteria (30%)

The price award criteria has two main elements,

Price Award Criteria (30%)	Weight (%)
Score for the Price of the “Availability”, as calculated under point 13.3.2	15%
Score for the Price of Contracting the Vessel(s) , as calculated under point 13.3.2	15%

The overall score for the price award criteria (SP) is the sum of the scores obtained for the Price of Availability and Price for Contracting the Vessels.

### 13.3. Scoring System

The score for each bid is calculated as follows:

$$S = SQ + SP$$

where SQ is the score for quality and SP is the score for price

#### 13.3.1 Scoring Quality

For all bids evaluators will give marks between 0-10 (half points are possible) for each quality award criteria.

The average quality for quality criterion  $i$  is:

$$Q_i = \frac{1}{\text{number of evaluators}} * \sum_{\text{evaluator}} \text{mark of the evaluator for quality criterion } i$$

The overall weighted quality is:

$$Q = \sum_i Q_i * W_i$$

The score for quality is:

$$SQ = \frac{Q}{Q \text{ of the bid with highest } Q} * 100 * \sum_i W_i$$

### 13.3.2 Scoring Price

The two scores of the price award criteria are calculated as follows based on the prices submitted by the tenderer in the Bid Template:

**The Score for the Price of the “Availability”** (maximum 15 points) includes the 3 elements listed below:

1) Availability Fee

Evaluation Methodology:

- Determination of the Availability Fee rate for the duration of the contract in €;
- Comparison of the above mentioned figure with the Availability Fee rate for the whole contract period of the bid with the lowest price: Availability Fee Rate of tender with the lowest price (€) / Availability Fee Rate of tender under consideration (€) = Max 1.

2) Cost of the Oil Spill Response Equipment

Evaluation Methodology:

- Total cost of “Equipment” (€)
- Comparison of the above mentioned figure with the Total Cost of Equipment of the tenderer with the lowest price for the equipment: Total Cost of Equipment tenderer with the lowest price (€) / Total Cost of Equipment for the tenderer under consideration (€) = Max 1.

3) Cost of Pre-fitting Vessel or Pool of Vessels

Evaluation Methodology:

- The total cost for pre-fitting, as per point 11.2.c) is the total cost of pre-fitting works as per quotations.
- The average Pre-fitting cost per vessel (€) is calculated.
- Comparison of the above mentioned figure with the Pre-fitting Cost of the tenderer with the lowest price: Pre-fitting Cost for tenderer with the lowest price (€) / Pre-fitting Cost for tenderer under consideration (€) = Max 1

The final score for the Price of Availability is determined as follows:

- Calculation of the sum of the ratios for each element 1), 2) and 3) above where the ratio for the cost of the availability fee (1 above) is added twice (up to 4 points).

- Calculation of proportion of maximum score (15 points) allocated to this criteria corresponding to that sum as follows: (sum of ratios/4)\*15

**The Score for the Price of Contracting the Vessels** is calculated based on the incident response daily rate (maximum 15 points). The evaluation methodology is:

- Determination of the Average Incident Response Daily rate for the arrangement:
  - In the case that only one vessel is offered: Daily Rate (€)
  - In case that arrangement includes more than one vessel: average of the Daily Rates of each vessel.
- Comparison of the above mentioned figure with the Daily Rate of the tenderer with the lowest price:  $\text{Daily Rate for tenderer with the lowest price} / \text{Daily Rate for tenderer under consideration} = \text{Max } 1$ .
- Calculation of proportion of maximum score (15 points) for this criterion: score obtained under the previous methodology\*15.

**The overall score for the price award criteria (SP)** is the sum of the scores obtained for the Price of Availability and Price for Contracting the Vessel.

#### **14. Rejection from the procedure**

Candidates that, during the procurement procedure, are in one of the following situations will be rejected from the procedure:

- a) are in an exclusion situation;
- b) have misrepresented the information required as a condition for participating in the procedure or have failed to supply that information;
- c) were previously involved in the preparation of procurement documents where this entails a distortion of competition that cannot be remedied otherwise.

#### **15. Intellectual Property Right (IPR)**

Please consult the contract for IPR related clauses.

If the results are not fully created for the purpose of the contract this should be clearly pointed out by the tenderer in the tender. Information should be provided about the scope of pre-existing rights, their source and when and how the rights to these rights have been or will be acquired.

In the tender all quotations or information originating from other sources and to which third parties may claim rights have to be clearly marked (source publication including date and place, creator, number, full title etc.) in a way allowing easy identification.

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