

Clarification Note #3

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Procurement procedure: GSA/OP/08/19

Security Monitoring services to the GSA

Question #4: In the Tender Specifications, section 3.2.1 ('Legal and regulatory capacity'), in the selection criterion L5, you require:

Analysis and comprehensive justification, in particular (without limitation) in relation to:

- a) previous or current involvement in the Galileo/EGNOS programmes in activities which may raise the perception that impartial and objective performance of the present FWC may be, at least potentially, compromised;
- b) (...)
- c) description of operational structure and mechanisms for monitoring, preventing and resolving conflicting interests during the execution of the FWC which mitigate or eliminate the potential, perceived or actual professional conflicting interests. Under this requirement, the tenderer shall provide an effective and convincing concept to ensure that the respective entity/-ies, including the individuals belonging to it/them, are in a position to work independently in relation to its/their tasks performed in other GNSS projects.

Could you specify what analysis relating to this text you expect from Tenderer? Might there be a simple declaration for part (a) and for part (c) might the Tenderer specify its monitoring, preventing and resolving conflicting interests as a simple description?

Answer #4: For part (a) the Tenderer must list any previous or current involvement in the Galileo/EGNOS programmes that may entail a potential conflicting behaviour for the performance of the contract. For such contracts, the tenderer must list the corresponding contractual agreement(s) with the GSA or other stakeholders of the programmes. The tenderer must further describe the nature and scope of the services or supplies provided to the GSA or these stakeholders.

If the tenderer has no previous involvement to any of the programmes, a declaration of no previous involvement is sufficient.

For part (c) the Tenderer must provide a coherent and detailed description of its internal organisation, aimed to monitor, prevent and resolve any conflicting interest that may arise during the execution of the contract. Further, the tenderer must explain in detail the measures and means in place that ensure the independent performance of the tasks by the company and personnel involved to the execution of the contract.



Question #5: According to the need of C1 level of English we would like to ask if you also accept certifications which are equivalent to C1 (e.g. STANAG 6001 - level SLP 3). And if so, please name all the similar certifications you would accept as a proof of English level C1.

Answer #5: Please refer to answer 2 of Clarification 1.

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