



CLARIFICATION NO.7

EUSPA/OP/11/21 (EUSPA PKI)

Question 1:

Is it acceptable for a contractor (based in an EU Member state) to call on a subcontractor, which is not based in EU member state?

Answer:

It depends on whether subcontractor(s) is/are involved in security relevant activities or not. For subcontractors involved in security relevant activities, the Prime Contractor is required to submit a request for waiver to EUSPA in line with the Section 2.5 (Conditions for participation / Establishment requirement) of the Tender Specifications. In this respect the attention of the candidates is drawn on clarification n. 8, which contains the consolidated text of the applicable participation conditions and criteria for the relevant assessment.

Question 2:

Can the deadline for NDU submission be extended?

Answer:

The indicated deadline is for guidance only and not considered binding. NDUs received and access to Proprietary Information requested after the NDU submission deadline but before the Deadline for submission of tenders will be accepted. This is indicated in the timeline in Section 1.3 of the Tender Specifications, copied below for convenience:

"The economic operators are advised to keep the deadline specified herewith in order to have enough time for preparation of their offer".

NDUs received and subsequent access to Proprietary Information required after the NDU submission deadline but before the Deadline for Submission of Tenders will be allowed.

Question 3:

- (a) What kind of operating system do you have right now?
- (b) What does the PKI infrastructure look like right now?
- (c) Will this be a migration of some certificates as well, or would you like to start from scratch with a new system? Will the old system remain?



- (d) What kind of database are you using, where were stored certificates so far?
- (e) What kind of solution did you use so far? Is hardware, licenses, authorization cards, etc included in the price?
- (f) What is the process for issuing/revoking/renewing certificates? Is it automatic or manual if automatic what kind of protocol is used?

Answer: PKI infrastructure for OSNMA service is a new infrastructure, therefore the questions above cannot be answered.

Question 4:

- (a) How many authorization cards would you like to have?
- (b) Would you like to have a separate HSM for Validation Authority or can it be shared with the CA? Would you like to have it in a cluster? What would you like to do with CRL?
- (c) What should be the token carrier?
- (d) Would you like to use ACME/SCEP protocols for configuration?
- (e) Regarding monitoring, would you like to have it stored in log file, send as a report or any other way? What kind of level of monitoring are you interested in?

Answer: The topics above are not addressed in the tender documents as the implementation aspects is left to be defined by tenderers who shall present and define a PKI architectural solution able to fulfil the requirements defined in the PKI SOW (Annex I.1 EUSPA-SEC-SREQ-SOW-A13466) and in the applicable documents of the EUSPA PKI CISL (EUSPA-SEC-SREQ-CISL-A13467).

Question 5:

Is there a possibility to allow a subscription payment model instead of a lifetime license?

Answer:

None of the two mentioned solutions are applicable.

As mentioned in the published Draft Contract, the ownership of all tangible assets and Foreground IPRs shall be exclusively vested in the European Union, represented by the European Commission, free-of-charge, without any title or right of the inventor and upon acceptance.

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