



Clarification Note #2

GSA internal reference: 259812

Procurement procedure: GSA/DC/16/20 Interior design of the GSA headquarter building

Question #[1]: Where can we obtain the plans of the building and photo documentation of the available furniture?

Answer: The plans of the building and photo documentation form annex I.A to the Invitation to design contest which will be provided upon the submission of (i) non-disclosure undertaking (NDU), (ii) identification sheet of the candidate, and (iii) proof that the person signing the NDU is authorised to represent the candidate. Further instructions on the submission requirements are specified in section 1.5 of the Invitation to design contest.

Question #[2]: What will be the „Enlarged responsibilities! of the new Agency?

Answer: Following a decision of the Council of the EU and of the European Parliament, the Agency should become the European Union Agency for Space programme. The Agency, on top of its current responsibilities related to European Global Navigation Satellite Systems ([Galileo](https://www.gsa.europa.eu/galileo) and [EGNOS](https://www.gsa.europa.eu/egnoss)), will take on board the market uptake of Copernicus (further details are available at: <https://www.copernicus.eu/en>), as well as some missions related to the EU Earth observation programme and European secure Satellite communications system, GOVSATCOM (further details are available at: https://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/space/security_en).

Question #[3]: Can we receive a description or visual information about the components of the EU Space Programme, which should be incorporated in the lobby area?

Answer: As specified in section 2.1.3 of the Invitation to design contest, in the lobby area, description and visual information will need to be displayed for European Global Navigation Satellite Systems (Galileo and EGNOS), for Earth observation and for secure communication. The information to be displayed are provided at the hyperlinks contained in answer to question #2 above.

Question #[4]: Can we see the new EUSPA logo, as we see it is a necessary inspiration in designing the Agency's interior identity?

Answer: The evaluation concerning the procedure procuring the EUSPA logo is still ongoing and no information can be therefore provided in this respect. However, the look and feel requested for the logo is indicated in the Terms of Reference of the EUSPA Logo Contest (clause 2.1.3, available at https://www.gsa.europa.eu/sites/default/files/procurement/invitation_to_design_contest_0.pdf), with amongst others "the logo must contain at least the blue colour of the EU flag (Pantone Reflex Blue corresponds to the web-palette colour RGB: 0/51/153 (hexadecimal: 003399))".



Question #[5]: In floorplans, can we see which corridors are to be included in the designed area, and what is the area size (in sq. meters)?

Answer: All corridors are included in the subject-matter of the design contest. The area size can be calculated based on the floorplans available as annex I.A.

Question #[6]: In floorplans can we see which interior doors are to be adjusted, or, how many doors are to be changed?

Answer: For the number of interior doors which are within the scope of this design contest refer to floor plans provided as annex I.A. (app. 150 office doors and 76 other doors).

Question #[7]: What will be the purpose of the use of the terrace on the 5th floor?

Answer: The part of the terrace to be considered – as specified in section 2.1.2 of the Invitation to design contest – shall be used as a recreational space.

Question #[8]: Conditions in invitation brief states that we are not allowed to propose any structural changes (e.g. moving walls). Does this apply also to: A) changing stone floors and claddings in the lobby area? B) changing steel door frames? (this requires partial demolition of the walls)

Answer: Changing of stone floors and walls in the lobby will be considered as a structural change and as stated in the specifications of the Invitation to design contest, will not be allowed. Changing of steel door frames is allowed, under the condition that all fire protection and building statics rules are met. Such change will be however discussed during the negotiation phase.

Question #[9]: The scope of design includes the terrace on 5th floor – but during our visit we observed that this terrace is hardly usable (walkable) and is accessible only through closed office. Could you perhaps closely specify the expectations or desired use of this part?

Answer: See the answer to question #7.

Question #[10]: Will it be possible to come for a second visit of the site?

Answer: Yes, provided a written request is sent to the GSA at least 2 working days before the date of such visit as specified in section 3.1 of the Invitation to design contest.

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