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Subject: Call for tenders TAXUD/2016/AO-01 – replies to questions

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

Enclosed you will find the replies to the questions received from 30/08/2016 to 06/09/2016 (questions 4 to 5).

This letter is being posted on the website of the Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union, at the following URL (“Questions & Answers” section):

https://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/calls-tenders-grants-calls-expression-interest/calls-tenders/taxud2016ao01_en

Questions received subsequently will be answered in further letters which will be placed regularly on the same website. Prospective tenderers are invited to monitor this site attentively.

As mentioned in the invitation letter (ref. Ares(2016)3948421 date 27/07/2016) published with the tender documents, requests for additional information received less than six working days before the closing date for submission of tenders, i.e. after **29/09/2016**, will not be processed.

Yours sincerely,

(e-signed)
Theodoros Vassiliadis
Head of Unit

Question no. 4

Concerning the Client References of section 4.2.1 and Service and Project References of section 4.2.3 of the questionnaire?

- (a) Please confirm that the three to five client references of which contacts of customers are requested should be for different customers other than European Commission (departments as listed in http://ec.europa.eu/about/ds_en.htm) and for services performed at the premises of the tenderer, but contracts for other European entities (e.g. European Parliament, European Court of Justice, etc) are accepted.
- (b) Please confirm that the three to five service contracts of which a Service Reference Form (SRF) is requested in section 4.2.3 are not necessarily the same as the three to five contracts of section 4.2.1 of which the contact details of the customer are requested.
- (c) If (b) is confirmed, please confirm also that the three to five SRFs of 4.2.3 can include references executed for different customers not excluding the European Commission and other European entities (departments, divisions, directorates, etc are regarded as the same customer)
- (d) Please confirm that the two projects of implementation of a reporting infrastructure (PRFs) each done for a different customer (departments, divisions, directorates, etc are regarded as the same customer) can include PRFs from the European Commission and/or other European entities.

Reply

- (a) We confirm your understanding.
- (b) We do not confirm your understanding. The table in Section 4.2.3 clearly states that SRFs have to be provided "For each of the three to five service contracts mentioned in Section 4.2.1"
- (c) We do not confirm your understanding. Please see answer to question b).
- (d) We confirm your understanding.

Question no. 5

In the beginning of section 4 of the questionnaire you write: "In case of a joint offer, this section has to be completed on behalf of the tendering group" Please confirm that if the tendering group is a consortium, section 4.3.1 has to be completed for each company of the consortium separately.

Reply

We confirm that the entire section 4.3 (therefore including 4.3.1) has to be completed only once on behalf of the tendering group.