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QUESTION no. 1

With reference to the above Service Procurement Notice (SPN) and in light of the new regulation of the Practical guide (pages 12-14 of the Annex B2a), which states the following:

"the candidate has worked successfully on at least <one / two / three> project<s> with a budget of at least that of this contract in <specify fields>which was/were implemented at any moment during the following period: < 3 years from the submission deadline, please specify the dates >.

(This means that the project the candidate refers to could have been started/implemented/completed at any time during the indicated period but it does not necessarily have to be started and completed during that period, nor implemented during the entire period. The candidate may refer to a part of a project where the contract is not yet completed, but then only the part which is successfully completed may be used as reference and the candidate needs to be able to submit documentary evidence of this part's successful completion, e.g. a statement from the entity which ordered or purchased the service)".

I would like to ask whether ongoing projects carried out by the candidate, with a long duration (i.e. over three years), would be eligible under point 21.3 (1) of the above SPN, if a consistent part of the project has been completed with the stipulated time period.

ANSWER no. 1

The technical capacity criteria for this tender are set in point 21.3 of the procurement notice and it states:

3) Technical capacity of candidate:

1. the candidate must have successfully completed within the last 36 months before the submission deadline of the application at least 2 projects, in which the candidate's contribution was in excess of 600 000 EUR/project (proportion of the project carried out by the candidate(s)), in the fields related to this contract:

(a) institutional development and capacity building in EU agricultural policy and rural development ; or

(b) support to 'acquis' approximation for access to/implementation of EU financed/co-financed rural development programmes.

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