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Capacity Building in the Water Sector Bosnia and Herzegovina

EuropeAid/134138/C/SER/BA; Tender no: EC/BIH/TEN/13/006

CLARIFICATION No. 1 (to Service Contract Notice)

QUESTION no. 1

As in the Procurement Notice for the above-mentioned tender in Article 21.3.a) it is stated a project reference will be considered eligible if the candidate has worked successfully in the last 36 months prior to the submission deadline "in the fields related to this contract, i.e. implementation of EU water policy in EU member states and/or EU candidate/potential candidate countries."

As stated among the key principles of EU water policy (DG Environment's website http://ec.europa.eu/environment/water/index_en.htm) EU water policy is implemented through a number of directives (water framework directive, groundwater directive, floods directive, etc), as well as covering water scarcity and draughts, drinking water, bathing waters and water pollution generally and adapting to climate change.

Having this in mind, could you confirm our understanding that these principles above include water supply and waste water treatment programmes, as they stand within the need to adhere to EU water policy implementation within member states and candidate/pre-candidate countries?

ANSWER no. 1

We confirm that your understanding is correct.

QUESTION no. 2

On page 3/5 point Technical capacity of candidate (based on items 5 and 6 of the application form). The 21. Selection Criteria, 3) Technical Capacity of candidate of the Service Procurement Notice for the above mentioned project requests that "Over the last 36 months prior to the submission deadline, candidate(s) have worked successfully on at least one project in the filed related to this contract, i.e. implementation of ED water policy in EU Member States and/or EU candidate/potential candidate countries. Project value of minimum 1,000,000 euro and the proportion carried out by the candidate(s) must be at least 70%".

Could you please clarify if a project with a 10.000.000 Euro budget and 25% carried out by the candidate where the candidate received 2.500.000 Euro could be also considered as eligible?

ANSWER no. 2

No, it could not be considered as eligible.

Requirement no. 3) Technical capacity of candidate, includes four sub-requirements:

• Period of time (Over the last 36 months prior to the submission deadline)

- Have worked successfully on at least one project in the fields related to this contract, i.e. implementation of EU water policy in EU member states and/or EU candidate/potential candidate countries
- Project value of minimum € 1,000,000
- The proportion carried out by the candidate(s) must be at least 70%

Only those projects that satisfy all four individual sub-criteria could be considered as eligible.

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