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SOLICITATION AMENDMENT

MODIFICATION DE L'INVITATION

The referenced document is hereby revised; unless otherwise indicated, all other terms and conditions of the Solicitation remain the same.

Ce document est par la présente révisé; sauf indication contraire, les modalités de l'invitation demeurent les mêmes.

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The Request for Proposal (RFP) Amendment 011 is raised to answer Bidders questions and amend the RFP.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 65:

Regarding Stream 3 – Legacy Application Services; the stream contains 5 different categories:

- Tester
- Programmer/Analyst - .NET
- Programmer/Analyst - Java
- Programmer/Analyst –PL/SQL
- Programmer/Analyst –PowerBuilder
- Project Leader

Given that many client organizations and projects involve transitioning from one legacy technology to a new technology platform, it is highly unlikely to find many contracts that involve more than two of the above listed technologies, making it difficult to find up to 8 contracts that would meet the requirement of M2/R2 to include contracts that have included the provision of 3 or more resource categories. Similar to the changes the Crown made for Streams 7 and 8, we kindly request the Crown amend the requirement for M2/R2 in Stream 3 to read: "the contract must have included the provision of a team of two or more of the resource categories...."

Answer 65:

No, the criteria remains unchanged.

Question 66:

We would like to re-iterate to the Crown the incredible amount of work required by Bidders to pull together all of the information required for proposal submission against up to 8 streams, and request a two-week extension to the current closing date of June 22nd.

Answer 66:

No. The solicitation closing date remains June 22, 2016.

Question 67:

Answer 54 indicates *"that the Bidder cannot rely solely on the confirmation of the client contact, if contacted by the Crown, to confirm similar labour category experience in the case where the labour categories are not TBIPS categories listed in M1. The requirement remains that the Bidder provide a list of resource categories (minimum of three for Workstreams 1 to 6 and a minimum of 2 for Workstreams 7 and 8) identified in M1 which were on the project at the same time and for at least six months. The Bidder Response Templates will not be amended. The Bidder may add columns and/or rows as required. The solicitation closing date was extended to June 22, 2016. Refer to solicitation amendment 008."*

We are unclear as to how to interpret the response to #54. It would seem to indicate that if the labour category experience is from a TBIPS contract that this would allow for a bidder not to provide substantiation, however, Answer 53 clearly indicates that the TBIPS roles are only items that "could" be included and that *"The SOW for this RFP includes tasks that Elections Canada requires the resources to perform in order to complete the work."*

Please clarify with a "yes or no" to the following items:

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a) M1 (R1) requires a complete substantiation of all roles clearly demonstrating 60% of the tasks irrespective of whether the role being used to demonstrate the experience is a TBIPS category or not, using the Bidder Response Template for Corporate References provided in Attachment 2.1 (adding lines as required).

b) M2 (R2) requires the completion of Corporate Reference template for M2 in Attachment 2.1 and allows bidders to only list the resource categories provided for a six month period, but does not require bidders to provide a substantiation of 60% of tasks for the provision of the team of three or more.

Answer 67:

a) As per Attachment 2.1 Corporate Technical Requirements and Bidder Response Templates, Bidder Response Template for Corporate References, Client Reference Form For M1, the Bidder is requested to cross-reference its response to columns (A) (Resource Category Name (as it appears in the Referenced Contract)) and (B) (List of tasks for the Resource Category named in A above (M1 – Article 4) (Minimum of 60%)) to the number of tasks identified in the SOW in Annex A for the workstream and resource category being evaluated.

b) Correct.

Question 68:

Answer 57: Bidders may use as a reference a contract with any type of client organization, whether it be a Government of Canada department or agency, any provincial government or territory, Crown Corporation, non-profit, or other private sector company. The answer was not meant to limit the organization that can be used as references, but rather to state that the reference must be a contract reference and not another type of vehicle (i.e. Supply Arrangement, MOU, Standing Offer, etc.).

Please confirm that Canada's intent of this response is that a bidder may not use the overarching Supply Arrangement or Standing Offer # as a single contract (given this may include multiple contracts that have been awarded within the vehicle) but that multiple numbers of contracts (not exceeding 8) that have been awarded within the vehicle may be used.

Answer 68:

Correct.

Question 69:

With respect to the list of tasks in the Statement of Work for the Application/Software Architect in Stream 8 – Database Services, there appears to be a duplicate bullet. "Develop solutions with an operational data store and/or a data warehouse" appears as both the 8th bullet and the 12th bullet on the list of tasks. Could the Crown please amend the list of tasks to remove this extra instance?

Answer 69:

The duplicate has been removed in the English version of the RFP. The French version does not require a correction. See RFP amendment below.

Question 70:

Due to the number of QAs and level of effort required to respond to this solicitation, we respectfully request a two week extension to the bid closing date.

Answer 70:

No. The solicitation closing date remains June 22, 2016. There will be no further closing date extensions.

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Question 71:

For all workstreams, M1 requires that *“the billable days must have occurred within the past five years prior to the bid closing date.”* We compiled our data prior to the most recent extension to the closing date. Please confirm that using a five-year window from June 9, 2011 to June 8, 2016 is acceptable for meeting M1.

Answer 71:

No. The requirement that “the billable days must have occurred within the past five years prior to the bid closing date” remains unchanged. The solicitation closing date is June 22, 2016.

Note: There were two extensions to the solicitation closing date beyond June 9, 2016. Please refer to solicitation amendments 006 and 008.

RFP AMENDMENT

1. At Annex A, STATEMENT OF WORK, 3 SCOPE OF WORK, 3.2 Tasks, 3.2.8 Workstream 8 – Database Services, A.1 Application/Software Architect, Level 3:

Delete:

The Application/Software Architect must perform the following tasks:

- conceptualize, plan and conduct research and analysis on new and existing application systems
- develop conceptual, logical and physical architectures
- develop solutions for complex IT projects involving technological components that include business requirements and systems development
- design functionality on IM/IT projects
- provide guidance to the development team during implementation of the design
- analyze and evaluate alternative technology solutions to meet business problems
- monitor industry trends to ensure that solutions fit with government and industry directions for technology
- develop solutions with an operational data store and/or a data warehouse
- evaluate existing procedures and methods
- identify and document database content, structure and application subsystems and develop data dictionaries
- define input/output sources, including detailed plan for technical design phase, and obtain approval of the system proposal
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