

Project Title: Technical Assistance for the Teacher Education Support Project (TA-TESP)

A. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

- Question 1** A colleague of mine recently came across an RFP for a Teacher Education Support Project (TESP) in Tanzania on MERX (attached), although there is no mention of it on the Global Affairs Canada website and it uses DFATD letter head. Are you able to confirm that this RFP is active and that the submission deadline of February 8, 2017 is applicable? Could you also clarify if the Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit is mandatory for public entities, for example a Canadian university, and if so, how it would be administered?
- Answer 1** The RFP is indeed active and has a closing time and date of 2pm EST, February 8, 2017. The Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit (ISLC) is mandatory for whichever entity is awarded the contract. The ISLC is obtained from a bank, or other Approved Financial Institution by the winning bidder to guarantee the Consultant's obligations under the contract, within 28 days of the signature of the contract. The requirements for the ISLC are specified in clause 16 in the General Conditions and the Data Sheet of the RFP.
- Question 2** We are an existing, qualified TBIPS SA holder and we are very interested in this RFP. Can you please invite us?
- Answer 2** The RFP which is available to be downloaded at: Buyandsell.gc.ca/ constitutes the invitation to submit a proposal. No further invitation will be sent to bidders interested in submitting proposals.
- Question 3** Could you please clarify the maximum page limit for Requirement 4: Recruitment Plan. As per page 63 of the RFP, there is no maximum page limit listed.
- Answer 3** For Requirement 4, the maximum no of pages is 3 pages.
- Question 4** We have a Canadian registered entity and were wondering whether we would be eligible to bid solely for the bid? In the RFP it states it needs to be a Canadian firm and whilst we have an entity in Canada, we are an international firm. Do you think it will be ok so long as we are registered in Canada?
- Answer 4** The bidder must meet the Canadian Status requirement in accordance with clause "1. Canadian Status" of Tech Form -2 Certifications.

B. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN UNCHANGED