



QUESTION AND ANSWER #1

Question #1

Under the proposal, full time employees from other department or academics who are employed by publicly funded institutions (colleges and universities) can submit a response to this tender. To ensure fairness in the tendering process, the Federal government has the [Code of Conduct for Procurement](#). The Code provides a single point of reference to key responsibilities and obligations for all those involved in procurement be done in an honest, fair and comprehensive manner. Failure to comply with the Code is subject to the penalties provided for in the applicable legislation or policy. Consequently, individuals working full time for an organization or for an academic institution, who are submitting a proposal to be the main consultant or to receive a considerable number of consulting days, will they be required to submit the proposal through their employer/institution?

Answer #1

It is not the responsibility of Public Safety Canada to determine whether or not Academics should submit their proposal through their employer (University or College). Academics who want to submit a proposal or who will be submitted as a subcontractor under the project are responsible for following their own employer's internal procedures.

Question #2

Under R1 for technical criteria, the Bidder should demonstrate that its proposed resource or its team of proposed resources has a combined Publication Record based on quantitative or qualitative research in the area of licit or illicit drug markets, including but not limited to tobacco, alcohol or illicit substances. Can these publications include government reports on these topics in addition to publications in peer review academic journals?

Answer #2

Yes, for the documents in response to R1, the documents can include government reports. Additional points are awarded should the documents be publications in peer reviewed academic journals.

Question 3

Would you grant a two week extension as holidays impacted our ability to respond?

Answer 3

No. Public Safety Canada is willing to extend the solicitation by one (1) week to January 18, 2017. See Amendment #3.

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