



## RFP ISED 183214 – TBIPS Two (2) 9.1 Project Managers – L3

### Questions Received

Q1- Can we provide an electronic bid in response to this RFP in Microsoft Word format?

A1- The Crown will not accept electronic bidding.

Q2- Has there been within the last 24 months, a resource or resources performing similar or identical services as those requested in this RFP? If so, can you please provide the value of the contract and the company name under which services were/are provided?

A2- No.

Q3- PR8: Would you also get 6 points if you have a PgMP certification or does that qualify as “Other Certifications” for 1 point?

A3- Maximum of 6 points will be awarded for this criterion. PgMP is acceptable as “other certifications” and will be given one (1) point.

Q4- In Part 5.3 Certification of Languages it states you have to be fluently bilingual in French and English but it is not stated as a mandatory in the grid. I just wanted to confirm that it is Mandatory for the Project Managers to both be fluently bilingual in English and French?

A4- The proposed consultants must be unilingual in English. Bilingual resources are also acceptable. Please refer to Amendment #1 document attached to this NPP for the correction.

Q5- In regards to PR which states a University level degree with an IT Background/Framework is required for full points, would the Crown consider a Non-IT Bachelors, plus a Masters in Public Administration, specializing in **Management of Information Systems** as equivalent to full points?

A5- No an MPA even though specialized in Information Systems would not qualify as IT related.

Q6- Can the crown confirm if we can submit 1 resource?

A6- Bidders must propose two resources with their bids.



Q7-

A) For PR3, Since the crown is requesting a University Level degree (4 years of study), and are asking for it to be Information Technology relevant would the crown consider a University Degree (non-IT field), an IT Project Management Certification, and another IT Certification (Software Development/Implementation) as equivalent to the University Degree in an IT Field for the full 8 Points? As this would total 6 years of study (4 for the Bachelor's degree, then around 1 year per certification, and the two certifications are not only completely IT, but also very relevant to this requirement?

B) Would the Crown consider a Bachelor's degree in Applied Sciences in Engineering, which is heavy on Computer Science and Computer Engineering, a PMI agile certification, a Scrum Master certification, and two additional IT Certifications (Java and Oracle) as equivalent for full points for PR3?

A7 (A&B) - No a bachelor's in non IT domain and certifications do not replace an IT related degree. Certifications already provide points in another PR.

Q8-

A) In regards to PR3, which states: "a university level degree in IT or Computer sciences, or *similar discipline*, would the crown accept an accredited University Level Degree in Electrical Engineering – with a specialization in "Automation and Computers" for the full 8pts for PR3? For additional clarification – the Degree has been deemed equivalent to as Masters' level degree in Canada (equivalency assessed by University of Toronto).

B) For the Education Rated requirement PR3, the Crown is looking for a Computer related university level degree, can you please confirm the Crown would Accept a university level degree in Electrical Engineering which is heavy on Computer Engineering, as sufficient for full points for PR3?

C) PR3 states that a "University degree in IT, computer sciences, or similar" will be awarded eight points. Would the Crown confirm that they would accept a Bachelor of Engineering whereby the consultant completed computer science and IT related courses (i.e. Electrical Engineering) as similar for the purposes of this response.

A8- Yes, electrical engineering is is deemed related to IT.

Q9- With regard to TBIPS 2 Project Managers - Level 3 (ISED 183214), we would like to request an extension to the closing date as there are a number of RFPs due to the Crown on or about the 22 of September and ISED 183214 requires a significant volume of detail. Would the Crown be able to extend the closing date on week to Friday September 29<sup>th</sup>? If the Crown is unable to extend to Friday September 29<sup>th</sup> would the Crown consider a lesser extension to Wednesday September 27<sup>th</sup>. Your understanding this request is greatly appreciated.

A9- Approved. New closing date is September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 @ 2pm. Please see Amendment #2 document attached to this NPP for extension.



Q10- *Part 1 – General Instructions*, sub article 1.2 refers to the previous TBIPS Supply Arrangement EN578-055605/G. As this is not the most current issue of this procurement vehicle, please confirm that TBIPS Supply Arrangement EN578-170432 applies to this solicitation in its entirety.

A10- Correct, PSPC templates are yet to be updated. See amendment #2 document attached to this NPP for the correction.

Q11- *Part 3 – Bid Preparation Instructions*, 3.2 Section I - Technical Bid, item v. Customer Reference Contact Information states: "...The Bidder must provide customer references who must each confirm, if requested by Canada, the facts identified in the Bidder's bid, as required by Attachment B..."

Question: Please confirm that per Attachment B – Evaluation Criteria, customer/client references must be submitted in response to **M6** only.

A11- Correct.

Q12 - In regards to the Government experience required in the grid in both M2, and M6, would the Crown consider experience from the following organizations as equivalent government experience?

- Experience with a Local police organization?
- Crown Corporations?
- Provincial or Municipal Government organizations?

A12- The Crown Corporations and Provincial Government organizations will be accepted, local Police or Municipal would not be accepted as it does not have the level of complexity that Federal Government does.

Q13 - In regards to M6 – Would the Crown consider a reference from a GOC project were the resource was responsible for leading the PLANNING phase of a transformation project with the future plan of leading the transition phase? This would open reference information up to projects that have not been completed through the entire transition phase.

A13- Yes the Crown would consider 1 reference responsible for leading the PLANNING phase of a transformation project with the future plan of leading the transition phase, the other referenced projects would need to demonstrate reference of completion of the transition phase of at least 6 months

14- Given that a Masters of Business Administration degree is relevant to the tasks and activities performed by a Project Manager, can the Crown please confirm that it will accept such a degree for full points on PR3?

A14- The Crown will not accept a Master in Business Administration. We are specifically looking for studies related to IT. In addition, Business Administration and project management are 2 different domains.