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## AMENDMENT NO. 015

This amendment is raised to answer Bidders' questions.

### **QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS:**

#### **Question 136:**

#### **Reference - Appendix C to Annex A – Workstream 2 - Mandatory Grid for P.5 Project Executive – Level 3:**

The combination of MT5 PMP plus MT6 Program and/or Portfolio Certification plus MT7 Graduate Degree in limited fields makes for an unnecessarily restrictive combination that will eliminate most of ESDC current Project Executives delivering quality work on key deliverables. It also drives an unnecessarily small pool for new submissions, leaving ESDC with little to no choice between candidates. We suggest the Crown, reduce "Graduate" degree to "Degree" and eliminate the fields of study. AND combine MT5 and MT6 into an OR statement.

#### **Answer 136:**

*After consultation with our stakeholders, the evaluation criterion will remain as written.*

#### **Question 137:**

#### **Reference – Appendix C to Annex A – Workstream 1 - Mandatory Grid for B.7 Business Transformation Architect – Level 3:**

The combination of MTC3 accreditation in Change Management is unnecessarily restrictive as it does not encompass those that have come up through a CBAP or Certified Management Consultant (CMC). This is especially the case when viewed in combination with MTC4 accreditation in TOGAF or similar. Furthermore, the CM accreditation is covered in the CM category. It eliminates many current BTAs at ESDC (that are trusted with driving the key projects) and creates an unnecessarily small pool for new submissions leaving ESDC with little to no choice between candidates. We ask the Crown to eliminate MTC3 as it is addressed by MTC4.

#### **Answer 137:**

*After consultation with our stakeholders, the evaluation criterion will remain as written.*

#### **Question 138:**

#### **Reference – Part 1 section 1.2 Summary, paragraph (b) of the bid solicitation:**

The instructions state "In the event that a Bidder wants to bid on more than one Workstream, a separate technical bid should be submitted for each Workstream." If a Bidder is bidding on more than one Workstream, should they also submit a separate financial bid for each Workstream? And a second copy of certifications?

#### **Answer 138:**

*If a Bidder is bidding on more than one Workstream, a separate financial bid section and a separate certification section must be submitted for each Workstream.*

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**Question 139:**

With respect to this RFP's many amendments, clarifying Questions/Answers, and Requirement revisions; in order for Bidders to have any hope of providing a compliant response, we request an extension to the due date of at least one week. Bidders will require a traceability matrix to ensure they are using the correct version of the requirements and a thorough assessment of all the clarifying Q&As in context of the revised requirements and then may need to adjust already prepared work. If Bidders could receive an updated RFP, that may help matters. The confusion around this RFP's requirements is considerable and puts Bidders at great risk of non-compliance.

**Answer 139:**

*Solicitation amendment 011 extended the bid closing date to May 24<sup>th</sup> to allow bidders time to review and update their bid. No further extensions are being considered due to operational needs. Canada will not post an updated RFP. However, Word versions of all solicitation amendments are available upon request to [gail.cook@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca](mailto:gail.cook@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca). It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that any revisions made through any solicitation amendment issued through Buy and Sell are taken into account.*

**ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.**