

ADDENDUM #5

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- 1. Title** Information Technology Staff Augmentation and Project Delivery Services
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- 2. Questions and Answers** Unless otherwise specified, capitalized words and terms have the meaning set out in the RFSA.
- This question and answer section is provided in response to questions received from Suppliers for the above-noted RFSA, and does not amend the terms and conditions of the RFSA.
- Q44. If CDIC has a maximum number of approved Suppliers under the Service Categories and Roles, can that be shared?**
- A44. Please see answer to question 6 in Addendum #2 dated October 21, 2020.
- Q45. Can CDIC provide a best estimate range of expected person days of effort in each of the Service Stream categories ideally by Role for Service Stream #1: Staff Augmentation and by year over the initial 3-year term?**
- A45. Please see answer to question 3 in Addendum #2 dated October 21, 2020.
- Additionally, as the RFSA is to be used on an as when and required basis, specific information pertaining to “days of effort” would be speculative at this point in time and CDIC will not be providing such information to Suppliers.
- Q46. Is CDIC expecting hourly rates to be fixed for the initial 3-year term or is CDIC expecting cost of living based adjustments?**
- A46. As per Appendix “D-1” (Financial Offer for Service Stream #1), Suppliers should provide all-inclusive hourly ceiling rates for the applicable Roles they are qualified to offer for the Service Categories listed for Service Stream #1. The hourly ceiling rates submitted by Suppliers are expected to be applicable for the initial 3-year term. As such, it is the Suppliers’ responsibility to ensure that all applicable rates account for any future adjustments (i.e., inflation).

Q47. Does CDIC have definitions, examples or expectations of experience for level 1-3 that can be shared?

A47. CDIC will not provide information for the three (3) levels under each Role in addition to what is already provided in Appendix “D-1” (Financial Offer for Service Stream #1).

Specific Engagement requirements, including Role requirements, would be disclosed and provided in a Service Request issued to SA Holders.

Q48. Given CDIC expects to undertake approximately 12 projects per year under the Supply Arrangement framework, can CDIC provide additional details on which areas are expected to be covered in the 7 categories, particularly in 2021 (such as specific categories, timing, budget, required resources), and perhaps a view into 2022 and 2023?

A48. Please see answer to question 45, above.

Q49. The requirement states that references can be public or private sector. However, elsewhere in the roles in Appendix “A-1” (Service Stream #1: Staff Augmentation Services, Service Categories and Roles), Section 4 Role 23 Infrastructure Operations and Support, responsibility n), the text seems to limit to just public sector, can that be expanded to include private sector?

A49. For greater clarity, Appendix “A-1” (Service Stream #1: Staff Augmentation Services, Service Categories and Roles), of the RFSA, provides a description of the Roles including their responsibilities. The respective “Responsibilities” for each Role should not be perceived as qualifications or Supplier requirements/pre-requisites.

Regarding Section n) of the Responsibilities listed for Role #23 (Infrastructure Operations and Support), the reference to “public sector” is applicable as CDIC is a federal Crown corporation and any technical specification to be included within an RFP would have to conform with public sector requirements.

Q50. If Supplier elects to respond to both Service Streams, then does the word limit for each of the 7 rated requirement answers double to ensure comparability to other Suppliers who might only respond to one Service Stream?

A50. No, the word limit for each respective Rated Requirement in Appendix “C-1” (Technical Offer Form) is an absolute maximum and should be adhered to whether a Supplier is submitting for one or both Service Streams.

Q51. How do the maximum points and scoring evaluation change if the Supplier responds to both Service Streams vs. just one Service Stream?

- A51. Regarding section 10, Evaluation and Selection, of the RFSA, Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the competitive process set out in Schedule "B" (Evaluation and Selection Process).
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NOTE: Suppliers are advised that CDIC will be posting additional addendum documents, which include questions and answers, prior to the Deadline for Response to Suppliers Questions.

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