

## Clarifications to RFQ / 11 / 2022 – Penetration Testing Services

Dear all

We had the following clarification questions, and the Bank's replies, which you may wish to be aware of:

**Question:** The Economic Operator/local Company/Firm will be submitting the RFQ in partnership with their foreign counterparts. Would the latter also need to provide a separate ESPD Form – Refer to ESPD Form Clause 2A.17?

**Reply:** The ESPD Form should be submitted by the lead Economic Operator submitting the proposal. It is expected that the lead Economic Operator will be responsible for the service delivery.

**Question:** We are trying to find the number of financial years needed for the yearly turnover as specified within the ESPD Form Clause 4B.1 and 4B.2. What are the number of financial years required?

**Reply:** The average turnover for the last three years will be sufficient.

**Question:** Is this RFQ classified as public works as per ESPD Form, Clauses 4C.1 – 4C.5?

**Reply:** The ESPD Document covers all aspects of procurement and can be used by an Economic Operator for many forms of public procurement. The applicability of the highlighted questions is not relevant to this type of procurement.

### Technical clarifications

The Bank does not wish to jeopardise the black-box approach by divulging too much information at this stage. The RFQ document contains schematics that clearly provide a good indication on the technologies adopted. Taking this into account, coupled with the size of the MDB (approx. 23 employees) and the expected suppliers' experience in similar testing engagements, should allow for proper proposals to be drawn up. The following additional information is being provided to help the suppliers even further:

A. MDB Head Office	
Approximate number of MDB external IPs	Less than 5 IPs
Approximate number of MDB internal IPs	Approximate 100 IPs
Testing scope	Focused on network infrastructure components including but not least wireless endpoints, telephones and printers
Can white-box testing be conducted remotely using VPN/VDI?	No
White-box testing privileges	Local user port /Contractor GOV account

<b>C. Loan Management System</b>	
Number of users	5
Number of workloads	2
Client type	Thin client

<b>D. Account System</b>	
Number of users	3
Number of workloads	2
Client type	Web client

Regards

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