"Do IT with the EU" 1,000 IT Specialists Certification Program

Request for Clarifications and Responses

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No	Question	Clarification
1	Does the designated budget include certification exams and training for all 1000 participants?	Assignment's estimated total value does not include costs associated with certification exams.
	We seek clarification as in certain instances, the cost of certification exams may surpass 900 EUR/participant, while the current understanding of the average budget per participant stands at approximately 600 EUR.	
2	Given the constraints of the budget, are you considering an average of 15-20 participants per class?	More details of trainees per class will be outlined in the Terms of Reference (ToR) and provided to the shortlisted candidates at a later stage of the tender process. The class sizes and number of groups shall depend on the expected demand for each course, with a total of 32 training courses planned.
3	Are you open to including participants in "OPEN" classes where attendees from other companies may also join?	The training courses are designed exclusively for selected participants. Successfully passing the enrollment exam is a prerequisite for attendance.
4	When is the service considered to be provided? Is it upon the completion of the course or upon receiving the certification exam voucher by all attendees of the class?	Service is considered "provided", when all tasks envisaged by Terms of Reference of the assignment is rendered by the selected training provider, to the satisfaction of the Client.
5	What happens if the minimum number of participants per class is not reached? Can you guarantee a minimum number?	Technical aspects of this nature will be outlined in the Terms of Reference (ToR), which will be provided to the shortlisted participants on the next stage of the selection process.
6	Can you guarantee the participation of all registered individuals in the course? What happens if a registered person doesn't attend? Do they still receive the exam voucher and access to course materials?	Technical aspects of this nature will be outlined in the Terms of Reference (ToR), which will be provided to the shortlisted participants on the next stage of the selection process.
7	In the provided documents it's stated that "the ultimate goal is to equip trainees with the knowledge and skills required for international certification exams and to provide ongoing support for	The term 'ongoing support' primarily refers to Client's (GITA) commitment to providing comprehensive and targeted training that prepares trainees for success in the international certification exams.

	their career development." What does it entail to offer ongoing support?	
8	In the document "1. Additional_information_contract_notice", in section "16. Selection criteria" the following clarification is made: "If the economic operator relies on other entities, it must in that case prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for the performance of the contract by producing a commitment by those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility and notably that of nationality as the economic operator relying on them and must comply with the selection criteria for which the economic operator relies on them. Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be provided when requested by the contracting authority.": I. Does the term " other entities " encompass those outside the consortium members or subcontractors? Could you provide another example of such entities? II. Are there standardized documents that these entities need to fill out? Is there a prescribed commitment model to follow? III. What does it signify for these entities to adhere to the same nationality regulations as the economic operator they are affiliated with? IV. What specific data regarding this third party should be outlined in a separate document? What type of document should this be?	 Tenderer may rely on capacities of "other entities", regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. i.e., this can be entity other than consortium member(s) or subcontractor(s), provided that other relevant requirements outlined in the tender documents are met. Example: Tenderer relying on parent company's/sister company's resources. No specific/standardized document required from tender to demonstrate it meets the requirement. These entities shall also meet eligibility requirements outlined in the contract notice. Please refer to the section "Capacity-providing entities" of the Request to Participate Form.
9	In the document "1. Additional_information_contract_notice", in section "The selection criteria for each tenderer are as follows": "The candidate has provided services under at least 1 contract with a budget of at least EUR 600,000.00 in ICT Trainings". I. Is it necessary for every member of the consortium to possess at least one contract valued at over EUR 600,000.00, or is it sufficient for	Experience of one member of the consortium meeting the required criterion will suffice.

10	Following your Request for Expressions of Interest for the "Do IT with the EU" Project - 1000 ICT Specialist Certification Program in Georgia" project, we would kindly ask you to clarify the following item: The point 16.3. "Technical Capacity" of the Additional Information on the Contract Notice specifies: The candidate has provided services under at least 1 contract with a budget of at least EUR 600,000.00 in ICT Trainings, which was implemented at any moment during the reference period: last 3 years. Would projects over 600.000 EUR containing ICT Training components below 600.000 EUR would be accepted as eligible references?	We are unable to evaluate any documents/references submitted to us in advance of the submission deadline. Evaluation of the required experience will depend on many factors and all of them will be considered during shortlisting evaluation.
11	In the section on specializations, should we talk about the course (skill to be developed) or a certification you receive? CyberOps is the specialization, but the certification is in CCST cybersecurity.	At this stage of the selection provision of this type information is not required, however you may include both, skill to be developed and path to particular certification.
12	We would like to clarify what set of documents makes an expression of interest. Should it be the full package listed in the procedure or just an email that confirms our interest to participate in the tender and briefly outlines the concept? Or we need to fill in the mentioned forms plus the concept detailing the project?	Tender shall submit Request to Participate form with all relevant attachments. Please refer to the documents included along with the Contract Notice publication.