

## Questions and Answers # 5

Tender for Framework Agreement for provision of Technical Assistance services to the Danish Energy Agency Energy Country Programs and Projects

### Question #5:

#### 7.2. POOL OF SPECIALIST INPUTS

The tenderer must present a pool of eight key technical consultants drawn from internal resources.

The pool of consultants should reflect the areas of expertise across the program as outlined in section 10.2.

The tenderer is free to associate with sub-contractors incl. local consultants, public institutions and others - however no exclusive sub-contracting arrangements will be allowed. In addition to presenting the 8 key technical consultant CV's, the tenderer must present a CV for the proposed Project Coordinator as well as describe its resource base and network and how it will ensure access to a range of specialist resources incl. local consultants in the DEA program countries and projects (see Appendix 3a, 3b and 3c to the Framework Agreement).

We submitted our EoI in in cooperation with implementing partners and individual experts located and working in each and every country of the call in order to provide for the necessary expertise as required for "key personnel" and "resource base".

**We interpret ToR that extending the Consortium with ANY OTHER ENTITY, except for other shortlisted companies, is possible during the proposal stage.** Through such extension and incorporation of partners we will be able to guarantee that:

A, the eight key technical consultants will be drawn from internal resources (i.e. they will be employees/full time contractors of the Consortium partners, not of subcontractors/associated partners).

B, the ten resource base consultants will be from associated partners with whom framework agreements will be signed without an exclusivity clause. This will allow either different individual from these associated organisations or individuals from other organisations to be brought on board for specific assignments under the Framework Contract.

C, you will be able to evaluate both the institutional and the individual capacities of the 1+8+10 experts put forward in the proposal.

In order to proceed with the preparations could you please confirm that our understanding described above is correct and we are allowed to **extend the Consortium with ANY OTHER ENTITY, except for other shortlisted companies.**

### Answer #5:

It is NOT possible to extend the Consortium with any other entity, neither during the tendering phase nor during the contract period. The Consortium is to be considered as one united entity who is joint and several liable for the fulfillment of the Framework Agreement.

The Consortium will, should it win the Framework Agreement, be able to enter into any collaboration with any other entity to do specific tasks under the Framework Agreement, but it will

still be the Consortium who is liable for the fulfillment of the Framework Agreement, including specific tasks.

Thus, the Key Technical Consultants, the Project Coordinator and the Resource Base should be drawn from within the Consortium, as the price for these consultants will be fixed during the Framework Agreement.