The Call for Expression of Interest in the field of Health Infrastructure

Information Session on 28 May 2020

EU Delegation - Ankara

Questions and answers Can you please clarify more about the medical equipment to be purchased; when applicants are expected to deliver the list of the Ouestion 1 medical equipment? (Ref. Guideline for the Call, Page 8, Type of Activities, item 2) Within the context of this Action, additional medical devices will be procured for the secondary healthcare facilities. The indicative list of devices to be procured and indicative delivery list will be determined by the Ministry of Health (MoH) right after the finalisation of the 2021 Medical Devices Needs Analysis Study for the Hospitals and Health Facilities, which will be available at the end of third quarter of 2020. A prioritisation will be made in order to determine the medical devices to be procured under the Action, since the overall needs are Answer 1 beyond the budget limits of this Action. The estimated budget of the medical equipment is 15-20% of the budget of the Action. The Contracting Authority is expecting from the applicants in their applications to indicate the provisional needs and concept for the equipment needs, including the added value of the procurement/supply of such needs. The Contracting Authority's expectation is to receive the detailed list and procurement planning together with the Inception Report after the conclusion of the Contribution Agreement. Due to the current situation and Covid-19 crisis, we have limited access to contact with MoH? Is it possible to organize another Question 2 session with the MoH where we will have the opportunity to ask our questions? The contracting Authority will ensure that all interested organizations will receive same information during the process. Answer 2 Considering the limited access to the MoH and difficulty for arranging the meetings, The Contracting Authority shall request

	from MoH for the documents, different information provided to other applicants and will published it on the Call website.
	The Contracting Authority organized a second information session with the participation of MoH technical personal responsible for the project on Wednesday , 3 June 2020 at 10am . The invitation for the new session will be send to the participants via email that already attended to first session by default. Should new Pillar Assessed entities would like to attend the second session we encourage them to confirm their interest to the Contracting Authority through the contact email address set in the Guideline for the Call latest by 2 <i>June 2020, 15:00pm (Turkey time UTC+3)</i> .
	The Contracting Authority, if possible, requests from the applicants to send their further questions in written latest by Tuesday, 2 June 2020, 13:00pm (Turkey time UTC+3) so that preliminary review can be done before the second information session. Otherwise, applicants will also have the opportunity to ask their questions during the session. Another questions and answers document will be published after the second session on the Call website.
Question 3	We would like to sub-delegate some of our tasks to a local partner. In this case whose rules and procedures will be applied for the procurement for example, Turkish laws for the partner or our rules and procedures as Pillar Assessed Entity?
Answer 3	The procurement rules used for the action must be compliant with the pillar assessed rules of the organisation.
Question 4	We currently have travel restrictions and difficult times of in the times of Covid-19 crisis to do site works. We would like to request the application submission deadline (30 June 2020) to be extended beyond the schedule.
Answer 4	The Contracting Authority has foreseen the difficulties of the times that we experience nowadays. At the same time, the Contracting Authority has a deadline of contracting by end of 2020. Therefore, the application deadline is set accordingly, and the Contracting Authority does not envisage to extend the deadline.

Question 5	We noted that in the Call for the Guideline, the Evaluation Grid item 1.1 states that " <i>How relevant is the in-house experience of the entity to implement the action or to sub- delegate it. What is the staff profile of the entity to implement the action (permanent/temporary)? Is there a project supporting office in Turkey?</i> ". We have the opinion that these criteria create an unfair competition between the applicants as some applicants may not be present in Turkey? Can the criteria be amended / allow the applicants to provide project supporting office in Turkey after the contract is signed?
Answer 5	The idea behind the criteria is to encourage the participants to be present in Turkey and follow up the works on the ground as well as to get the benefit of their combined experience worldwide and also in Turkey.
	After further consideration, and in order to prevent any misinterpretation, the Contracting Authority has amended the criteria as follows: "How relevant is the in-house experience of the entity to implement the action or to sub- delegate it. What is the staff profile of the entity to implement the action (permanent/temporary)? Is there a project supporting office in Turkey?"
	The applicants need to demonstrate that they have adequate resources especially for the management, monitoring, and supervision which can be quickly mobilized in the area of intervention as required so that the Action shall be implemented in due diligence.
Question 6	How can we get the list of the Extended/Migrant Health Centers to be built under the Call?
Answer 6	The Contracting Authority has envisaged that the applicants would obtain the action particulars through their contacts for with MoH. However, under the current circumstances and difficulty to have bilateral meetings with MoH, the Contracting Authority will publish the list on the website where the Call has already been published. Due to the timeline of the restrictions, the list will be published just before or immediately after the second information session.

Question 7	How can we contact to the MoH relevant departments to get detailed information on this Action? Can you provide the contact details?
Answer 7	In view of the data protection rules, we are not in a position to publish the contact details here. However, the contact details of the relevant MoH personal/departments will be sent via email to the participants that already attended to the first session by default. Should new Pillar Assessed entities would like to get the information, we encourage them to confirm their interest to the Contracting Authority through the contact email address set in the Guideline for the Call.
General comments	The Commission Implementing Decision does not foresee a blending proposal for this action.
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General comments	The action locations are described as <u>Turkish provinces most affected</u> <u>by the refugee crisis</u> in the Guideline for the Call (page 7, item 2.1.2) refers to the locations where current SIHHAT project is implemented. This Action is designed as a sustainable solution for SIHHAT project, and transition from rented premises to MoH own premises. Therefore, it is the Contracting Authority's intention to continue to support the same provinces as much as possible. However, there is also a fact that movement of the migrants within the country is dynamic. Therefore, provided that the requests are fully justified and depending on the cases, addition of provinces or omitting some current provinces might be considered. The amendment of the locations will be subject to the approval of the Contracting Authority before any final decision.