Simplified procedure: Overall Support to the Water Dossier - 07 - PRO365WEB-2021

With reference to the above-mentioned Simplified procedure, please find below the answers to the questions posed by the interested companies:

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATIONS Nr. 1 (dated Friday, March 4, 2022 10:21 AM)

Question 1: Maximum budget. Kindly clarify what is the maximum budget for the Call. Among others, the figure of EUR 128,000 (VAT not included) in indicated in the Instructions to Tenderers (A1) and in the Price Budget (B Annex V), while that of 200,000 (VAT not included) is indicated in the Service Contract Notice (A2) and the invitation’s cover mail.

Answer: The maximum budget of the contract is EUR 128,000.00 (VAT not included).

Question 2: Period of implementation. Kindly clarify what is the period of implementation. Among others, the period indicated in the ToR (B Annex II) is ‘from December 2021 to December 2024’ and, later on in the same document it is indicated that ‘the intended starting date is in May 2022 and the period of implementation of the contract shall be until 29 July 2024’.

Answer: As stated in section 5.2 of the terms of reference the period of implementation of the contract will possibly be from May 2022 to 29 July 2024.

Question 3: Days of engagement for the Key Expert. Kindly clarify what is the number of days of engagement for the Key Expert. Among others, there is no indication of that in the ToR (B Annex II) and 165 days are mentioned in the Price Budget (B Annex V).

Answer: The indicative number of person day input is 165 for the Key expert during the duration of the contract. The Estimated number of working days of the key expert is tentative and thus flexible to some degree.

Question 4: Location. The ToR (B Annex II) indicate that ‘the services shall be carried out at the premises of the UfM (Barcelona, Spain).’ Given the possible number of Key Expert’s days (165) and the possible period of implementation (2,5 years), that both need to be clarified as above, and translating these to a possible average of 5,5 days per month, kindly clarify if the Key Expert’s services shall be physically performed in Barcelona or, instead, can be performed from the home location of the Key Expert who shall be available to travel to Barcelona according to needs. Kindly also clarify similar for the Non-Key Experts.

Answer: The normal place of posting shall be at the premises of the UfM (Barcelona, Spain) both for the Key Expert and the non-key expert. Any distribution of working days between the key expert and the non-key expert during the implementation phase of the contract must be made officially by
means of an administrative order. In addition, three short-term missions (maximum 3 days each) will be carried out outside the normal place of posting, one in the EU and two in non-EU countries of the Mediterranean region.