

REVENUE ADMINISTRATION MODERNIZATION PROJECT (RAMP)

ROMANIA, NATIONAL AGENCY FOR FISCAL ADMINISTRATION Revenue Administration Modernization Project (RAMP)

Questions and Answers regarding RAMP/CS/1 – Project definition, integration and implementation:

Question 1: *I am writing to you in relation to the recently published request for expression of interest for the Project definition, integration and implementation (RAMP/CS/1). Considering the extensive scope of work covered by this request, I would like to ask for an extension of the deadline.*

Answer Q1: Thank you very much for your interest to participate in the procurement of consulting services for RAMP/CS/1 Project definition, integration and implementation. Although it is our definite intention to provide all eligible consultants with the necessary appropriate time frame for the preparation of high quality Expressions of Interest, we regret to inform you that it is not possible for us at this time to extend the initial submission deadline, as this would affect both our internal programming and the procurement plan approved by the World Bank.

On the subject, we would also like to draw your attention on the provisions of paragraph 2.3 of the World Bank's document "Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers", from January 2011, which states the following: "The late submission of a response to an REOI shall not be the cause for its rejection unless the Borrower has already prepared a short list, based on received EOI's".

Question 2: *Regarding the above mentioned project, please confirm that Romanian or foreign IT integrator companies can participate in consortium with specialized consulting firm. Please confirm also that through requirement "As NAFA has made a forward commitment to generic hardware platforms, the Consultant must NOT have long-term legal business cooperation, as affiliate, which conduct to directly or indirectly controls, controlled by, or under common control with an ICT hardware or software manufacture (such as being the consulting division of an ICT hardware or software manufacturer, or a firm owned in part or whole by ICT hardware or software manufacturer or an authorized reseller of a specific hardware or software brand)" cannot submit an eligible offer, hardware or software manufacturers, consulting division of an ICT hardware or software manufacturer, companies owned in part or whole by ICT hardware or software manufacturer, distributors of ICT hardware or software manufacturer.*

Answer Q2: We would like to confirm that IT integrator companies may participate at the procurement of consulting services for RAMP/CS/1 – Project definition, integration and implementation, in a consortium with a specialized consulting firm as long as each of the partners of the association does not have long-term legal

business cooperation, as affiliate, which conduct to directly or indirectly controls, controlled by, or under common control with an ICT hardware or software manufacture (such as being the consulting division of an ICT hardware or software manufacturer, or a firm owned in part or whole by ICT hardware or software manufacturer or an authorized reseller of a specific hardware or software brand), in order to avoid the creation of a conflict of interest situation, as described in paragraph 1.9 of the World Bank's document "Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers", from January 2011, available at the following address:

<http://web.worldbank.org/WBSITE/EXTERNAL/PROJECTS/PROCUREMENT/0,,contentMDK:20060656~menuPK:93977~pagePK:84269~piPK:60001558~theSitePK:84266,00.html>

According to the provisions of paragraph 1.15 of the World Bank's document "Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers", from January 2011, "Consultants may associate with each other in the form of a joint venture or of a sub-consultancy agreement to complement their respective areas of expertise, strengthen the technical responsiveness of their proposals and make available bigger pools of experts, provide better approaches and methodologies, and, in some cases, offer lower prices. Such an association may be for the long term (independent of any particular assignment) or for a specific assignment.

Question 3: After considering the documentation for the procurement Project definition, integration and implementation – RAMP CS/1, we kindly ask you to clarify us which are the forms that the interested consultants are supposed to fill in, upon presenting their offer?

Answer Q3: Concerning the procurement procedure RAMP/CS/1 – Project definition, integration and implementation we are pleased to inform you that at this stage of the procurement procedure there are no standard forms to be filed in order to express your interest into providing the consulting services. According to the provisions of the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) procedure, at this stage, only the overall capacity of the Consultant to successfully undertake the tasks of the consultancy assignment is evaluated, based on the submitted expressions of interest. For the purpose of the evaluation, the expressions of interest should include all information indicating that the consultant has the required qualifications and the relevant experience to perform the services (brochures, description of similar assignments, experience in similar conditions, availability of appropriate skills among staff, etc.)

For more information regarding the selection procedure we are inviting you to refer to the World Bank's document "Guidelines Selection and Employment of Consultants under IBRD Loans and IDA Credits & Grants by World Bank Borrowers", from January 2011, available at the following address:

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For additional information about the Revenue Administration Modernization Project (RAMP) you can access the following addresses:

http://anaf.ro/anaf/internet/ANAF/rel_internationale/banca_mondiala/ramp/!ut/p/a1/pZFNC4JAFEV_SwuX-Z6JOrUzEL8oKah0NjGCX2AqkxX9-0ZpE9QU9HYznMO98wYoxEAbdq0K1ldtw-rhTM2jp3mmNyOzgGirJdrEcp2IFmIUogASAeCHsfHVR8ca_O3c9cleR9N8-hJakk_W1hd_Y_zWXxLwj4_eV_8AVLqi4QUjIFuxLGTsIG0RGRAALeo2HT88sZtUJwVQnuUZz7h64eK67PtuoaCCrGG5ylsF36Fle-4hfiLQnXZiYqz8KU3vt8kDw2lgXA!!/d15/d5/L2dBISEvZ0FBIS9nQSEh/

or:

<http://documents.worldbank.org/curated/en/docsearch/projects/P130202%5EP130202>