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TENDER FOR TECHNICAL CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING OF AN ACTION PLAN FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY ACTIONS ABOUT ELECTRIFICATION OF MASS/PUBLIC TRANSPORT IN GOZO AS PART OF THE EBUSSED PROJECT UNDER THE INTERREG EUROPE 2014-2020 PROGRAMME

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Question 1: Terms of Reference Section 2.1 (c): Can you clarify whether the contractor will be expected to do the technical and possibly mathematical modelling of performance of electric buses or whether this information is already currently in possession of the Contracting Authority?

Answer 1: **The contractor will be expected to do the technical and possibly mathematical modelling of performance of electric buses. The buses are already in possession of the Contracting Authority.**

Question 2: Terms of Reference Section 2.2 (c): can you please explain if all the routes currently being operated will be tested? Is an assessment required to determine whether the buses can be driven in all parts of Gozo especially in steep elevations, sharp corners and narrow roads? Given that this assessment would be dependent on the specifications of the buses, would this information be available? In addition, should the technical report analyse the energy consumption required during charging?

Answer 2: **The technical/mathematical model has to be developed taking into account all routes currently being operated by public transport, including that for which the buses were procured for; any steep elevations, sharp corners and narrow roads present along in these routes should be taken into consideration.**

The specifications of the buses will be made available to the contractor who will be awarded the tender.

It would make sense that the report analyses as well the energy consumption of the electric chargers while charging the buses.

Question 3: Terms of Reference Section 4.1: Can you please explain how travel costs including flights, daily subsistence allowance and accommodation will be financed?

Answer 3: If the team leader or a designated representative of the contractor accompanies a delegation from the Ministry for Gozo abroad in connection with the eBussed project, the flat rate quoted in the Financial Bid Form (inclusive of travelling, per diem, personal expenditure, accommodation, flights and travel insurance and any other expense envisaged) will be paid to the contractor.

Question 4: Terms of Reference Section 4.1: Can you please confirm that the technical report referred to under point 3, is one final report or whether it has to be presented more often?

Answer 4: The contractor has to provide one (1) technical report which will be considered finalised once it is approved by the Contracting Authority.

Question 5: Terms of Reference Section 4.1: With reference to point 3, can you please explain who will have the responsibility for the charging infrastructure? Will information on the locations be made available?

Answer 5: The charging infrastructure specifically for these buses is managed by the Contracting Authority and information on the location of these will be made available to the winning bidder.

All other tender documents, conditions and requirements, which are not superseded by this Clarification, remain in place.