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REFERENCE NUMBER: SPD3/2022/010

FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF INCONTINENCE DIAPERS, PULL-UPS, PADS AND INCO-SHEET FOR SENIOR CITIZENS AND PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS FOR THE MINISTRY FOR GOZO

Clarification No. 2

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Question 1: We reiterate that for this particular tender the offline method is not working.

Note message when after we press the radio button to prepare our offer offline we get the hereunder message.



We want to be able to work on this tender offline in order to make sure that our line ESPD is filled in correctly

It is very evident that who worked on this tender file / xml is not up to date so much so that they also included a manual ESPD in the tender downloaded documents (copy attached).

Answer 1: It has been confirmed with the IT department, that you have been guided on how to prepare your submission using the offline method.

Kindly note that bidders are to fill in the ESPD using the tender response format. However, any subcontractors used by the main bidder are to fill in the 'manual ESPD' that has been uploaded on the ePPS in the call for tenders.

Question 2: In view of the previous clarification dated 8th March 2022, we concur with the concern that the current global situation urges an extension to the closing date of this tender.

In addition, new requirements are being requested within this tender and reasonable time is required to compile the necessary forms.



In light of the above, we are genuinely requesting a further two week extension.

Answer 2: Kindly note that due to departmental reasons, this request cannot be acceded to.

Question 3: Article 19: Period of Execution of Tasks Section 19.1 states that supply and delivery of the diapers, pull-ups, pads and Inco Sheets, shall commence within four (4) weeks from order.

What is the outcome should we fail to deliver within 4 weeks?

Answer 3: As per Article 21.1, 'a daily penalty of one hundred Euro (€100.00) shall be charged to the Contractor per day of delay on the period of execution stipulated at Article 19.1'.

Question 4: THE TENDER DOCUMENT POINT 5.c.i., States that the bidder must be able to provide examples of supplies carried out in the past.

Kindly confirm if this tender example can be any tender that was supplied in the past (being that of pharmaceutical or medical devices). Or if the tender example should relate to only diapers, pads, pull-ups and inco sheets.

Answer 4: As per Article 5C (i) of Section 1 in the tender document, bidders are to submit a *'List of principal supplies of a similar nature being Diapers, Pads, Pull-Ups and Inco Sheets for Senior Citizens and Persons with special needs'*.

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

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