

**CLARIFICATION No 7****Reference:** EEA/IEA/13/003/ETC-WMGE**Title:** Open call for proposals for the award of a framework partnership agreement concerning the European Topic Centre on Waste and Materials in a Green Economy 2014-2018 (ETC-WMGE)**Question 1**

A question was received with regard to the submission of proposals by post or courier. The deadline is 18 September 2013. It is stated that the evidence of the date of dispatch shall be constituted by the postmark or the date of the deposit slip.

The proposal will most likely be sent by private courier (DHL or other), because of its weight. Is it ok to have proof (tracking of package) that the courier did pick up the package on 18 September? Or should the package arrive at EEA on 18 September?

Answer 1

The time limit set in the invitation to submit proposals by post or courier refers to the date of dispatch of the proposal and not the date of receipt by the EEA. In order to be eligible, proposals have to be handed over to either the post services or a private courier e.g. DHL at the latest on 18 September 2013 as evidenced by the postmark or the date of the deposit slip or DHL tracking slip.