



29 June 2009

Clarification No 4 for open call for tenders:

Framework contract(s) for economic support (8 lots)

Reference number: EEA/IEA/09/002

Question

How does selection criterion 2.b under section III.2.3 of the contract notice (requiring "a list of the principal similar services provided in the past 3 years, with the sums, dates and recipients, public or private") relate to the award criterion A.1 under section 10.3 (p. 8) of the tender specifications (requiring documentation "in a short presentation (max. one A4 page per lot) of a representative reference project undertaken by the tenderer")?

Answer

Tenderers are reminded that selection and award criteria serve very different purposes.

While the purpose of the mentioned selection criterion (together with the others listed) is to establish whether **tenderers** have the required technical and professional capacity, the purpose of the mentioned award criterion (together with the others specified) is to provide the basis for the evaluation of **tenders** per lot in order to establish the most economically advantageous tender per lot.

Regardless of the list required under selection criterion 2.b, award criterion A.1 does not in any way limit a tenderer's choice of a representative reference project other than in terms of its presentation which must not exceed one A4 page per lot.