

## **EUROPEAN UNION**DELEGATION TO THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA

## CONTRACTING AUTHORITY'S CLARIFICATIONS No. 2

## Project title: Study on modalities to include electricity from RES into the distribution network and smart grids

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1.	We are Multidisciplinary Engineering Company interested in participating in the Service Contract Notice for services in subject. We kindly ask you to confirm us that we have to submit only two documents downloaded from the portal (see attachments):  1. Declaration on honour on exclusion criteria and selection criteria  2. Application for EU/EDF-Funded Service Contract	All the information regarding the documentation to be submitted can be procured at the following website:  http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/documen t.do?nodeNumber=3.6
2.	We are assessing the service contract notice mentioned in and we would appreciate some clarifications on the scope of the project. Particularly, as the title states "Study", we would like to know if aim 4 involves a study on the development and implementation of software for power system analysis or the real development and implementation of software.	The aim number four "Develop and implement software for power system analysis" in Service Contract Notice involves real development and implementation of software for power system analysis in distribution network.
3.	Could you please provide us information about your detailed requirements and information on documents that are required to participate in the prequalification process.	Please see answers to question 1 above.
4.	We called for a tender "Study on modalities to include elektricity from RES into the distribution network and smart grids". I would like to ask you for	The information can be found at the following website:  http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/?header_description=DEVCO+Prag+to+financial+a

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	information, where it is possible to find Practical Guide - PRAG - 2.4.3. the notices to write in SERVICE CONTRACT, side 3?	nd+contractual+procedures+applicable+to+ external+actions+financed+from+the+gener al+budget+of+the+EU+and+from+the+11t h+EDF&header_keywords=ePrag%2C+eur opa
5.	The aim of this email is to ask some questions concerning the following Services - Contract notice - Restricted procedure: IPA — Study on modalities to include electricity from RES into the distribution network and smart grids — reference 2017/S 209-432040.  As part of our services we evaluate the integration of renewable energies and are experts in the evaluation of smart grids with software tools. Before deciding if we shall submit our application for the restricted procedure for the service contract notice we would need to clarify a couple of specific concerns:	Conflict of interest.  Please be kindly reminded that according to PRAG, section 2.3.3.2  "The contracting authority shall not award a contract for a given procurement procedure to an economic operator who:  • []  • c) - was previously involved in the preparation of procurement documents where this entails a distortion of competition that cannot be remedied otherwise;
	Conflict of interest. Could you please confirm that in case ABB Power Consulting applies for the service contract notice, or the RFQ/RFP afterwards, there will not be any conflict of Interest for ABB Groups in relation to the supply of equipment/services for future projects related to the tasks to be performed? Our procedure in this sort of studies is to base the analysis on public based data (technical and/or economical) so they would not be linked to conflict of interests for ABB in the future. We need your confirmation to continue with the proposal.	The actual risk of distortion of competition referred to in PRAG 2.3.3.2 (c) can only be assessed case-by-case based on the submitted tender and the specific situation of the tenderer concerned. Such risk is for instance substantiated where a tenderer was involved in the preparation of procurement documents for the tendered procurement procedure and obtained through its involvement a competitive advantage vis-à-vis the other tenderers in the same procedure.
		In the light of the above, the existence of a situation of distortion of competition referred to in PRAG 2.3.3.2 (c) cannot be assessed "ab initio" at the stage of clarifications but only after the tender submission based on the tenders received. Therefore the EU Delegation cannot answer your request by preempting the actual situation of your organisation vis-à-vis the requirement under section 2.3.3.2 (c) of the PRAG.

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	Software tool. In point number 4. develop and implement software for power system analysis, are you interested in the development of a new software tool, or could it be the supply of commercial software tool already developed and used in the market? ABB is the supplier of a power system analysis software tool called NEPLAN already developed.	Software tool.  The aim of one task of this project is to apply software and execute power system analysis in distribution networks with integrated distribution generation. The software could be developed from the beginning but already developed software could be used too. It should be taken into account that in accordance with the PRAG rules for service contracts no separate and additional procurement (including software) is allowed under this contract.
6.	We would like to kindly ask you for some additional information regarding to "Study on modalities to include electricity from RES into the distribution network and smart grids." We very appreciate your help.	
	1. We are planning to add to the Application Form "point 5. Areas of Specialization" and "point 6. Experience" data related to our subcontractor. Is our subcontractor supposed to fill in the "Declaration on Honor" as well?	The published tender documentation including all forms can neither be changed nor deviated from.
	2. We just want to double check if we are allowed to adapt the tables to our needs (add rows)?	

