

REGIONAL DIALOGUE INVITATION TO TENDER 2024-3

Questions and answers

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I read with great interest the Tender for CIRA involving social norms on your website. I had a few questions related to the tender process.

- 1. Canada does not have VAT, so would a Canadian firm be required to charge VAT?
- 2. Do we submit the Consent of Subcontractor for Direct Payments as part of the proposal by the 19th or is that only submitted if one is successful?
- 3. Are travel costs (flights, food etc.) to be included in the price in the invoice?

Answer:

1. If the VAT does not apply in your country, you can state so in the form and only fill out the "Total price excluding VAT" and the "Total price including VAT", which would amount to the same price.

2. Regarding the Consent of the Subcontractor, this is only applicable if the tenderer chooses to apply with a subcontractor, which must be known and nominated by 19th December 2024. In case of subcontractors, there is also an option of them not requesting direct payments – the Contracting authority will pay the fee upon an invoice to the Contractor which subsequently pays the subcontractor for the work done. In both options, the tenderer must submit the information on the subcontractor in the application documents.

3. The Contractor is expected to travel to Uzbekistan up to 4 times per engagement for up to 7 days per trip. The Contracting Authority will arrange, purchase and provide the Contractor with return economy air tickers from the nearest airport to his/her place of residence or other location to Tashkent, Uzbekistan and back with international travel insurance (Coris) in line with the agreed travel schedule. The Contracting Authority will also arrange and purchase accommodation in Uzbekistan for the time engaged in the country. The Contracting Authority will not be responsible for the coverage of Contractor/Expert's health insurance in his/her country of residence. Any costs outside of the airline ticket, international travel insurance and accommodation in Uzbekistan are not covered by the Contracting Authority.