



CONTRACTING AUTHORITY'S CLARIFICATIONS No. 1

Tender title: EU for Serbia – Support for Safer Products

"Strengthening Capacities of National Quality Infrastructure and Market Surveillance Authorities"

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1.	<p>The contract specification states that the nature of the contract is “Fee-based”. However, there are no details on the daily or hourly fees the candidates should expect.</p> <p>Would you be able to provide us with information on fee rates, and for what the candidates may receive fees for?</p> <p>For instance, are preparations covered, and how are travel and accommodation expenses covered?</p>	<p>The fee-rates per category of experts are not established by the Contracting authority, they should be proposed by the tenderers who were shortlisted and to whom Invitation to tender and the full tender dossier were dispatched.</p> <p>For all information regarding service tender procedures, please kindly consult section 3 of PRAG at http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/prag/documents.do?nodeNumber=3</p> <p>For more information on fee-based contracts, please consult section 3.2.2 of PRAG.</p> <p>For more information on restricted service tender procedures, please consult section 3.4 of PRAG.</p> <p>For more information what is included in the fee rates, please consult annex B8j2 – Budget breakdown for a fee-based contract of PRAG.</p>
2.	<p>Selection criteria 21.3 indicates that:</p> <p>3) Technical capacity of candidate (based on items 5 and 6 of the application form). The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last three years from submission deadline.</p> <p>The candidate has provided services under at least:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• One (1) project of at least 500,000 EUR, on transposition of EU legislation in the area of free movement of goods into national legal framework; and	<p>The reference period for Selection criterion 21.3 remains the last three years from submission deadline.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One (1) project of at least 500,000 EUR, on capacity building to a public institution responsible for quality infrastructure (such as conformity assessment, standardisation, accreditation, metrology, market surveillance). <p>According to PRAG with their annex b2_a contract notice_en in chapter 21.3 it is given that: " The reference period which will be taken into account will be the last [five][three] years from submission deadline."</p> <p>Could you please clarify whether the reference period can be expanded to “the last five years from the submission deadline” instead of “the last three years form submission deadline” in order to encourage competition;</p>	