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CONTRACTING AUTHORITY'S CLARIFICATIONS No. 2

**Modernization of railways – Project documentation for the railway line Novi Sad
– Subotica – Hungarian Border**

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Tender no: 11SER01/14/11

No	Question	Answer
1.	<p>We kindly request clarification on the above procedure.</p> <p>We refer to the criteria for technical capacity in section 21.3(a) of the SPN. We note these criteria are more onerous than criteria for similar rail tenders recently launched in Croatia (publication references 131095, 131104 and 131240). Specifically, whilst the criteria for projects against services a. surveys, b. feasibility studies and c. designs above a certain threshold are commensurate with the similar rail tenders recently launched in Croatia, the criteria for this project applies the same high thresholds for the projects against services d. tender dossier and e. funding applications. It would be unusual for projects against services d. tender dossier and e. funding applications to be above the fee thresholds mentioned. This overly restricts applicants in our opinion. We therefore request that SPN be adjusted so that the requirement for projects against services d. tender dossier and e. funding applications be without any, or have lower, fee thresholds. As a result we also request an extension to the deadline for applications.</p>	<p>The selection criteria remain as published, unchanged.</p> <p>The deadline for receipt of applications remains as published, unchanged.</p>

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2.	<p>We would kindly request a clarification to the EOI notice, EuropeAid/131837/C/SER/RS, [modernization of Railways- project documentation for the Railway line Novi Sad-Subotica] dispatched on the 13th March 2012.</p> <p>According to the notice, section 21, subsection 3a) the date mentioned as "starting date" is considered as the day of commencing the project or signing a contract?</p> <p>Secondly if an ongoing project is divided into tasks, which are assigned to different periods of time, can we include the tasks commenced after 01/2009 as sufficient reference to the EOI?</p>	<p>The starting date mentioned in the brackets of subsection 3a refers to the starting date of the past 3 years. As such, the projects carried out may have started before the mentioned date or after the mentioned date, regardless of the contract signature or commencement date. However, only services carried out in the period 1.1.2009 until submission deadline will be considered and such services must be above the mentioned threshold for each project.</p>