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**Modernization of railways – Project documentation for the railway bypass around
Nis**

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Our tender ref: 11SER01/14/21

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>