

Question 1

The criteria outlined in **Section 7a** of the ToR (page 5), which states: “*Consultant’s experience relevant to this assignment, to include reference to recent (within 5 years) specific assignments of relevance, listing dates, team members involved, and client*” refers specifically to the experience of the individual experts being proposed (i.e. the consultants), or to the organisational experience of the tenderer.

Answer: *The organisational experience of the tenderer.*

Question 2

Regarding the stated 5-year reference period, as outlined in the **Section 7a** of the ToR (page 5): should this be interpreted as the 5 years preceding the submission deadline (i.e., from August 11, 2020 to August 11, 2025) or as the last 5 full calendar years (i.e., 2020–2024 inclusive)?

Answer: *The five years preceding the submission deadline, i.e. five years from 11 August 2025.*

Question 3

Regarding the selection criteria outlined in **Section 11a** of the ToR (page 7), which states: “*Experience in advising and/or training large public sector institutions in non-OECD/DAC countries is a requirement. Experience from advisory assignments and capacity development in SIA’s project countries and sectors is an advantage.*” Could you kindly confirm whether the phrase “non-OECD/DAC countries” is intended to mean:

- Countries not included on the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) List of ODA Recipients,
or
- Countries not members of the OECD?

Answer: *Countries not included on the OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC) List of ODA Recipients.*

Question 4

In your description Technical Proposal 7.a (page 4-5) there is a statement that the total number of pages should not exceed 21 pages, EXCLUDING CV. But in the table, item number 9 is CV with a total of 10 pages. If we summarize the pages in the table, it is 21 (excl table of contents) but then INCLUDING the CV. Could you please clarify if the proposal is total 21 pages including or excluding CVs.

Answer: *The total number of pages, INCLUDING CVs, should be a maximum of 21 pages. (The reference to “excluding CVs” in the total at the bottom of the table is an error).*

Question 5

Upon reviewing the RfP, we do not clearly understand how the Framework agreement will establish the terms and conditions for contracting specific assignments through individual call-offs. Could you clarify how the call-offs will be managed throughout the year?

Answer: *Please refer to Section 16 – Assignments under Framework Agreement – on pg. 10 of the RfP for a description as to how individual assignments will be called off and contracted.*