

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS PERTAINING TO THE OPEN CALL FOR TENDER

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“Multiple framework contracts in the field of financial audits, other assurance engagements and related services for IMI2, Clean Sky 2 and FCH2 Joint Undertakings”

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	QUESTION	ANSWER
1.	<p>We have noted that Sections 5.1 and 7.3 of the tender specifications, as well as the Annex A-III (Contractor’s prices table) all refer to the potential batch contractual duration time limits as being 5, 7 or 9 months.</p> <p>However, by contract, Section 4 (page 7) refers in the 6th and 8th paragraphs to the contract durations being 4, 5 or 6 months.</p> <p>Could you please confirm that the correct durations are indeed 5, 7 or 9 months?</p>	<p>We confirm that contract durations are indeed 5, 7 and 9 months. Any indication to the contrary is an error.</p>
2.	<p>11.2.3 – Documentation in respect of economic and financial capacity With regards to point 11.2.3 of the ITT (presentation of balance sheets or extracts from balance sheets and the profit and loss statements) a representative firm in one of the Associate Countries has advised that, as a traditional partnership (rather than a limited company or limited liability partnership), they are not required to have their financial statements audited or to file these financial statements at the local trade registry. Accordingly, for reasons of confidentiality, this firm is unable to provide balance sheets or extracts from balance sheets and the profit and loss statements.</p> <p>They are able to provide their statement of turnover and, as an alternative to balance sheets/profit and loss statements, they have provided a letter from their bank confirming the firm’s good standing which confirms the firm’s reliability, and that accounts are kept in good order. Would this document be acceptable to IMI as an alternative in respect of 11.2.3 of the economic and financial capacity selection criteria?</p>	<p>We can accept the proposed approach, provided that proof is given about the Associated Country in question, as well as a letter with the relevant legislative references, stating that the firm is indeed not subject to the requirements regarding the auditing and publication of financial statements. All other applicable eligibility and selection criteria apply.</p>