

RFP:

**IFIB-ACT-SACT-24-01 Part A – Capability  
Development Management Support (DCMS)**

Reference:

Q & A #1

Date of Issue:

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The following questions were raised with respect to subject RFP. Responses are to provide clarification.

Questions	Responses
<p>1. Page 20 - LC 1 SENIOR CONTRACTOR SUPPORT TO REQUIREMENTS MANAGEMENT/OPERATIONAL ACCEPTANCE ANALYSIS</p> <p>The work location conditions is described as: "Location: OFF-SITE / Remote (UK/BEL): Due to the geographical nature of ITM, this role requires a 'Hybrid' working solution. Primarily Off-Site/Remote but with regular travel to HQ MARCOM (UK) and SHAPE, (Mons, BELGIUM) as mandatory; in order to access the relevant NATO Information Systems and to attend Meetings, Conferences and Demonstrations (Test Events)1"</p> <p>Could the Purchaser please provide more details or a travel schedule if one exists?</p>	<p>1. Please note changes to LC1 in Amendment 1 to subject IFIB.</p>
<p>2. Page 24 to 25 - LC 1 SENIOR CONTRACTOR SUPPORT TO REQUIREMENTS MANAGEMENT/OPERATIONAL ACCEPTANCE ANALYSIS</p> <p>The current maximum score in the matrix is indicated as 95. Could the Purchaser confirm if this is intentional or if there are any adjustments planned?</p>	<p>2. Please note LC1 Item #4 changes also in Amendment 1.</p> <p>6-10 years: 6-15 points Between 3-5 years: 3-5 points Less than 3 years: 1-2 points No experience: 0 points</p>
<p>3. Page 49 - LC 5 CBRN Policy Implementation Analyst</p> <p>For LC 5 CBRN Policy Implementation Analyst 3rd requirement (No. 18), has undefined parameters for scoring</p>	<p>3. Please note LC5 Item #18 changes also in Amendment 1:</p> <p>&lt;2 years: 1-9 points 2-3 years: 10-19 points 4-5 years: 20-29 points &gt;5 year: 30 points</p>

<p>“• &lt; 2 years: 1-9 points  • years: 10-19 points  • years: 20-29 points  • &gt; 5 years: 30 points”  Could the Purchaser provide a clear definition for the scoring criteria associated with the specified time periods?</p>	<p>The score assigned will be based on how clearly the CV demonstrates experience in operational CBRN defence positions within the time periods that apply.</p>
<p>4. Title #8 of the IFIB in subject line.   Can a company submit a single candidate for several labour categories? (i.e. Submitting a single name for labour categories #3 and #6.)</p>	<p>4. Yes, suppliers may submit the same candidate for multiple labour categories, if the CV supports.</p>
<p>5. Annex A, Paragraph 12, multiple pages   Multiple Labour Categories require an "Active NATO or National SECRET (or higher) security clearance." May the Contracting Officer provide a solicitation amendment specifying security clearance requirements in the form of a Security Aspects Letter for appropriate Labour Categories? Per DCSA guidelines, “The NATO Contracting Agency will typically provide security requirements in the form of a NATO Security Aspects Letter. When a facility has a need to safeguard NATO Secret information and above on a continuing basis, in performance of the contract, they are required to be established as a NATO control point (NCP) under the DCSA Sub-Registry.”  <a href="https://www.dcsa.mil/Industrial-Security/International-Programs/NATO-Sub-Registry/">https://www.dcsa.mil/Industrial-Security/International-Programs/NATO-Sub-Registry/</a></p>	<p>5. After contract award suppliers requiring a Security Aspect Letter may request it from the Contracting Officer.   Excerpt from <a href="https://www.dcsa.mil/Industrial-Security/International-Programs/NATO-Sub-Registry/">NATO Sub-Registry (dcsa.mil)</a>   U.S. cleared facilities bidding on NATO contracts will need to have their facility clearance verified via government channels. Requests should be submitted by the NATO Agency to <a href="mailto:dcsa.iab@mail.mil">dcsa.iab@mail.mil</a>. After contract award, Defence Counterintelligence and Security Agency (DCSA) will issue a NATO Facility Security Clearance Certificate (NFSCC) to the appropriate NATO Agency and notify the contractor. A U.S. facility qualifies for a NFSCC if it has an equivalent U.S. Facility Clearance Level and its personnel have been briefed on NATO procedures.   The NATO Contracting Agency will typically provide security requirements in the form of a NATO Security Aspects Letter.</p>