



Clarification letter 2

OHSA 01 / 2010

12th March 2010

To: All prospective bidders.

Tender: **Tender for the Development of an Occupational Health and Safety Accreditation System**

Subject: Clarification to questions received from last clarifications issued by the OHSa.

Reference: Advert on Government Gazette dated 26/02/2010 – (Tender Ref. OHSA 01/2010) – closing date 6th April 2010.

This letter is construed to form an integral part of the tender document. All other terms and conditions in the tender document remain unchanged.

Following receipt of a number of written queries from different prospective bidders, the OHSa clarifies the following:

- (a) **Query 1:** Can you clarify if the word “system” at the end of the below sentence refer to a software system? or something else?

“The successful tenderer is required to deliver a report with the requirements for a national accreditation system.”

Reply: The term ‘accreditation system’ as used in the tender dossier OHSA 01/2010, refers to the national administrative, procedural requirements etc. that will be set up at a national level to ensure that third party OHS practitioners are competent in OHS. This accreditation system shall include the mechanisms and criteria to assess and accredit such third party OHS practitioners, who may thus tender their advice to employers.

As indicated in the dossier, this tender is about the identification (by the selected contractor) of a set of criteria that will be included in the setting up of a national system to qualify competent persons who will be able to carry out risk assessments, certifications and/or inspections with respect to current OHS regulations.

The selected tenderer shall deliver a report in which issues such as minimum qualification criteria including academic qualifications, years of experience, qualification areas of activity (use of NACE codes) and the examination persons' internal *modus operandi vis-à-vis* how the inspection will be carried out shall be determined. These criteria, which shall be identified after due discussions with the NAB and the OHSA, will then be adopted in the administration of the national OHS Accreditation system.

As specified in an earlier clarification, this tender is NOT about the development of a software system.

Regards,

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