

RFP/2020-018

Consultancy for “The role of grid codes in integration of variable renewables”

Clarification 2

Provided to all bidders

Questions in blue text. IRENA response in black text.

#	Question	Response
1	Is it intended for the 2016-report to be updated or a completely new draft is to be written by the consultant? In the case of the latter, does the consultant have the permission to use some parts of the 2016-report?	A complete new draft is needed. The final deliverable will be a new report, building on the information from 2016 report, updating and adding, not repeating. However, surely 2016 report can be cited.
2	Will the consultant be given access to the source material used in writing the 2016-report?	There is no particular source material used for writing the 2016-report. It was written based on desk research, interviews and workshops conducted to collect information.
3	Could the consultant change the list of the countries which had been used for case studies in the previous report? Are there any restrictions towards the countries that should be selected for the updated report?	Yes of course the list can be changed. There is no restriction towards the countries that should be selected, in agreement with IRENA, but geographical diversity should be considered. The main objective is to showcase different practices. Regional markets can also be considered, when regional grid codes are in place.
4	The common practice is to submit the financial proposal in sealed envelope or under password or encryption policy. Since the submission is by e-mail please clarify how you instruct the consultants to submit their financial proposals electronically?	Submit bids electronically to email address: Bids@Irena.org In two (02) separate electronic files. One marked as ‘technical offer’ (with the bidders name) and the other marked as the ‘financial offer’ <u>Please ensure that no financial information pertaining to the bid price is included in the technical offer/proposal.</u> If such information is included the bid may be disqualified.
5	If in the process of preparation, the report interviews with high level experts are required, please clarify if the related expenses will be approved by the client?	IRENA is seeking for an all-inclusive price (we believe interviews should be on a voluntary basis – thus there will be no payment for interviewees which will be done virtually. Hence no travel costs will be involved).
