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Important errata are being published as part of these questions and answers. They are highlighted in red below as part of the answers to questions.

Addendum to the tender:

ERRATUM#1: *This contract is subject to applicable withholding tax. For national service providers registered in the Palestinian Territory, Consulting Offices are exempted from V.A.T. while for Individual Consultants, **10%** will be deducted at payment unless they provide a deduction at source certificate. For national service providers registered in Israel, Consulting Offices will charge V.A.T. on top of the above-mentioned prices. For Individual Consultants registered in Israel, 30% will be deducted at payment unless they provide a deduction at source certificate. For international consultants, Belgium legislation will apply.*

Questions:

Question 1: Can you share with us the results (designs, BoQs) of past STEM labs implemented in other schools?

Please refer to tender documents section 5.7 for applicable standards.

Question 2: For the supervision, shall we assume that all 8 schools (in one lot) shall proceed together?

Yes.

Question 3: Can you give an estimate of the supervision period per lot or per school? So we can estimate the effort needed and the visits. And/ OR, from your records, how much time does it need to complete work for similar supervision services?

Please refer to Forms 6.9 and 6.10 for the estimated duration for the supervision phase for each lot.

Question 4: Do you require a formal invoice? Or can stamped claim letters be sufficient? Shall we assume the deduction of 10% for income tax be applied on claims, as per the PA finance instructions?

*Please refer to **ERRATUM# 1** mentioned above.*

Question 5: Considering the movement situation, can the consultant office assign a site engineer(s) for supervision from the area(s) where the intervention is being made?

Yes, it is advisable to assign the two positions of site engineers in close vicinity to the sites as this will facilitate movement during the supervision phase.

Question 6: If an architect is subcontracting an electro-mechanical firm, shall the resumes of the personnel be attached as well, or is the electro-mechanical firm resume is enough?

All key experts shall be filled within form 6.11 - key experts and shall attach their resume as a supporting document; please also make sure to include the subcontractors under form 6.13.

Question 7: Is the consultant required to undertake new work that requires soil testing and a permit?

No.

Question 8: Is the site visit mandatory?

No, but preferable.

Question 9: What is the estimated area for each STEM lab?

The assigned rooms vary between 50-75 m².

Question 10: Can forms be adjusted to contain methodology, cover letter ...etc?

No, the tenderer must adhere to the tender documents and forms to fill in and attach the required documents.

Question 11: For the team leader time sheet, how its calculated? Is it only for site visits or it can contain office and administrative works?

Payment for the consultant will be made based on the fulfilment of the required documents under section 4.10.2, including an approved time sheet by the Contracting Authority.

Question 12: Will each lot works be performed by one contractor or more?

A minimum of one (1) contractor per lot.

End of questions and answers