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**Call for tender : AA-011951-004 - Gender-Smart Financing - Advisory and
Capacity Building Programme for commercial banks**

**Clarifications to the Instructions to tenderers and Assignment Terms of
reference**

QUESTION 1:

We have noticed that the tender dossier does not include the annex for Section D or the Evaluation Grid.
Could you please provide us with these missing documents?

CLARIFICATION 1

Missing annex is now available for download on the dedicated EIB webpage:
[Gender-Smart Financing Advisory and Capacity Building Programme for commercial banks](#)

QUESTION 2:

Could you please provide the evaluation grid, we did not find it in the documents uploaded.

CLARIFICATION 2

See clarification on n°1

QUESTION 3:

Q 3.1. Regarding references (Technical capacity of tenderer): would it be acceptable to include ongoing projects, provided we can demonstrate that (a) the relevant project components have already been successfully completed, and (b) appropriate evidence of event completion and the corresponding budget is available to meet the eligibility requirements?

Q.3. 2. Additionally, could you confirm whether references could go back five years, as was permitted in previous EIB tenders?

CLARIFICATION 3

C. 3.1. As specified in the Instructions to Tenderers (Section A of the Tender File), references/projects submitted by tenderers to demonstrate their technical capacity *must have been completed within the reference period (although started earlier)*.

The tenderer may not refer to a part of a project/service contract which is not yet completed.

Any ongoing project partially completed will not be compliant and will be rejected.

C. 3.2. The references must have been completed between 01/01/2023 and the deadline for the receipt of tenders. Projects/references completed before 01/01/2023 will not be compliant and will be rejected.

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<u>QUESTION 4:</u>
Is there a recommended page limit for the Technical Proposal?
<p>CLARIFICATION 4</p> <p>There is no limitation in terms of number of pages for the Organisation and Methodology to be submitted by the tenderer.</p> <p>Nevertheless, tenderers are encouraged to provide the required information within a maximum of 50 pages, CV for key experts and annexes excluded.</p>
<u>QUESTION 5:</u>
Could you please clarify whether the role of the Team Leader may be shared between two individuals?
<p>CLARIFICATION 5</p> <p>The Team Leader role shall be performed by a single individual and may not be shared.</p>