

Tender Number: T17/05/21**DEVELOPMENT OF A NATIONAL STRATEGY FOR THE SOUTH AFRICAN TAXIDERMY AND GAME SKIN TANNERY INDUSTRY****Question and Answers Version 1**

No.	Question	Type	Answer
1	With regards to timelines, which ones apply between those stated under 'Deliverables' on Page 21 and those requested under 'Project Plan' on Page 30?	Technical	Please note this was an error on our part. The timeframes listed under Page 21 in the deliverables apply in this instance i.e. eight (8) months.
2	With regards to the Qualifications & Skills of the Proposed Project Team Members, is this a mandatory requirement? In other words an inviolate condition. The reason for the clarification required is that the team members have other academic qualifications relating to agriculture and animal sciences, amongst others.	Technical	This is not a mandatory requirement. Bidders will be scored on this criteria. Meaning that bidders who fully meet the requirement will be scored as such. Those that do not will be scored less, with the risk of not achieving the minimum qualifying score of 70% as stated under point 13.2.1 on Page 13 of the tender document.
3	Would the IDC object to multiple emails truncating the flow of information, identified with referencing "Page One of Ten pages" and so on and so forth in order to stay within the 50MB size cap? In other words a series of separate emails (back-to-back) with the various completed attachments which make up the entire Bid packet (of completed documents). Please advise if this method of transmitting / submitting would be acceptable.	Commercial	Please note that this method is acceptable. It is however the bidder's responsibility to ensure that all emails reach the IDC server before the closing date and time as late emails will not be considered during evaluation.
4	Can we insert the "Delivery Receipt" option? Will this construe confirmation of the receipt of our (entire) Bid packet?	Technical	A delivery receipt can be inserted. Yes.
5	Should the overview not perhaps also include: the hospitality Sector (hotels, restaurants, hunting lodges) and freight forwarders and clearing agents / shipping companies? Or can we improvise based on industry experience?	Technical	The overview should include the whole value chain and linkages including service industry. However, the study should be focused on Taxidermy & Game Skin Tanning industry.
6	Would the academic requirements, as listed in this section, apply to the Taxidermist as well? Many practitioners are generally qualified by experience, having acquired their skill-sets by starting out working with artisans in public museums and later on attending short-courses their the former Technikon, etc. Your guidance / comments would be appreciated.	Technical	A Taxidermist with industry experience will be an added advantage. However, the other project team members must have the relevant experience as per the bid specification.
7	Please confirm that we are not to budget for these development candidates and that IDC and / or dtic will assume full financial responsibility for all costs relating to transport, accommodation and subsistence whilst candidates are involved in fieldwork surveys, etc. On a previous IDC study undertaken in 2016 -18 the cost was excluded from the project budget.	Technical	The dtic & the officials involved from other relevant government departments will assume full financial responsibility for all costs relating to transport, accommodation and subsistence whilst candidates are involved in fieldwork surveys. The cost of skills transfer will be to the service provider's account and should therefore be included as part of the cost.