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Addendum No. 01

GCA-PR-25-673 - Request for Proposals

Framework Agreement for Infrastructure Resilience Accelerator Services in Asia

This addendum addresses and/or clarifies the following:

Questions & Answers:

Question 1: As a small US-based consultancy firm, we would like to inquire about the selection criteria for the Financial and Economic Standing 'audited financial statements'. We have completed a financial review in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in lieu of an audit in line with usual practice for small businesses. Our financials have been reviewed and certified by a US certified public accountant (CPA) - we are able to provide a copy of the letters. Will this be accepted for this proposal?

Response 1:

Yes. As part of your submission, kindly provide the statutory or regulatory basis for your organization's exemption from providing audited accounts, if not already stated in the certified financial statements'.

Question 2: Could you confirm the list of countries specifically covered under this framework agreement? Do you have priority countries for the implementation of the projects? **Response 2:** Please refer to the Asia-Pacific States listed in the United Nations Regional groups of Member States (Website: <u>Regional groups of Member States | Department for General Assembly and Conference Management</u>). A list of priority countries for the implementation is not available at this moment.

Question 3: Regarding partnerships, would it be possible to add new partners when responding to specific tenders under the framework agreement, even if they were not included in the initial submission?

Response 3:

No. New partners who were not included in the initial bid submission cannot be added during the term of the Framework Agreement. The list of participating bidders was assessed during the evaluation stage, and only those partners identified at that time are considered part of the agreement.

All other requirements regarding the Request for Proposal remain the same.