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PARADISE Call

Call for Expressions of Interest for Evaluators

Frequently Asked Questions (F.A.Q.)

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F.A.Q

Question 1.:

Is it mandatory to have a VAT number? As a private person do I need to have a separate VAT number? Is it necessary to somehow register a VAT number in my home country?

Answer 1.:

Applicants are to check with their national authorities (VAT Department) in their respective home countries to ascertain if they need a VAT number for the service being provided ‘Evaluation of proposal’ with a remuneration as outlined in Table 1 of the call.

Applicants that are not required to provide a VAT number are **to provide a signed declaration stating their exemption** instead of the ‘Copy of the VAT certificate’.

Question 2.:

What is the approximate number of proposals planned per evaluator?

Answer 2.:

The Council will ensure that evaluators are given a workload that can be achieved within the time frames. Kindly refer to call text section ‘5. Duration of Contract and Conditions’ for further guidance.

Question 3.:

Will we be given the opportunity to decide Yes or No, to accept the evaluation of a proposal? The application mentions that there is a 7 day response time. However, it could be possible that the proposed evaluation is requested during a period when I am unavailable (i.e. during a one-week official travel).

In the previous evaluations where I participated in Czech Republic and Spain, there was always a chance to decide Yes/No. Due to my own availability and also to guarantee that the evaluator feels qualified in the specific area.

Answer 3.:

The evaluator may refuse work by providing reasonable justification. Kindly refer to call text section '5. Duration of Contract and Conditions' for further guidance.

Question 4.:

Why would MCST require my VAT, and for what purpose?

Answer 4.:

VAT number is required so that the council and applicant abide to the relevant VAT regulations in Malta, EU and respective home country of the applicant. To consider your application you need to submit either Vat Certificate or a signed declaration stating Vat exemption. Kindly also refer to Answer 1.

Question 5.:

Is it suggested to combine all documents into a single one? Do I need to initialise all the pages?

Answer 5.:

Yes, it is recommended. All documents should be initialised on each page.