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INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION FOR ELECTORAL SYSTEMS

RFQ-021-055

Questions and Answers

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- 1. Could you please confirm if any local licenses, clearances, and/or approvals would be required to deliver the products to Georgia?
 - **IFES Responds**: All licensing matters are the responsibility of the selected vendor.
- 2. Please clarify who would be responsible of undertaking the importation of the goods in Georgia. **IFES Responds**: The selected vendor will be responsible for the importation of goods.
- 3. Please indicate who would be the consignee for the importation of goods in Georgia. **IFES Responds**: All responsibilities relating to the importing of materials should be undertaken by the selected vendor.
- 4. Please confirm if a company registered in the European Union could participate in this tender. **IFES Responds**: As per USAID source and nationality regulations, a waiver for procurement from developed and middle-income countries is required, which will lengthen the timeline for this procurement and will affect the evaluation of bids from such vendors.
- 5. For prior references, shall the applicant submit only a description of their recent experience fulfilling similar orders, or do they also need to submit proof of the order, such as a contract?

 IFES Responds: Applicants should submit legally confirmable proof of previous work experience on similar size tenders, whether that is a contract or other legally binding proof of purchase.
- 6. Can an applicant only apply for part of the procurement? Can applicants partner up to apply, including partner with a parent company?
 IFES Responds: No subcontracting is allowed under this solicitation.
- Do all applications need to undergo certified translation to English?
 IFES Responds: All application materials must be in English, whether they are certified translated, is immaterial.
- 8. How does IFES want to receive applications?

IFES Responds: All applications must include all required materials per the RFQ and be emailed to Ellen Myers (emyers@ifes.org), Keti Maisuradze (kmaisuradze@ifes.org), and Ian Swank (iswank@ifes.org).