

**REFERENCE NUMBER:** SPAPC.ERDF 006/2021

## Restoration of St Paul's Anglican Pro-Cathedral

### TENDER FOR THE DESIGN, BUILD, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION AND COMMISSIONING OF A RETRACTABLE PLATFORM LIFT & VERTICAL LIFTING PLATFORM ON THE PARVIS

#### CLARIFICATION: 03

11<sup>th</sup> February 2022

1. REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION;

**Budget** – according to *'Instruction to Tenderers'*, 1.1 the budget for the two lift is 160K Euro. Will any quotation exceeding the budget be considered?

CLARIFICATION REPLY:

The purpose of this value shall be the guidance of prospective bidders when submitting their offer and is not to be considered as a binding capping price. Therefore, the published Estimated Procurement Value is not restrictive and final on the Contracting Organisation (The Cathedral). Economic Operators are free to submit financial offers above or below the Estimated Procurement Value. However, the Contracting Authority reserves the right to accept or reject Financial Offers exceeding the Estimated Procurement Value.

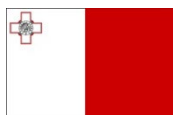
2. REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION;

**Prefinancing** – According to *'Special Conditions'*, Article 44 prefinancing is subject to the issuing of a bank guarantee of the same amount. It means that the prefinancing does not help the cash-flow. Is the article 44 negotiable, by for example replacing the bank guarantee by proofs of work progress (like factory test, notice of arrival.)?

CLARIFICATION REPLY:

Article 44 is not negotiable and cannot be changed. A pre-financing guarantee will need to be provided. The advance payment recovery will be deducted at 30% with each payment application until the full amount is recovered, together with the reduction of the advance payment guarantee with each 25% of the contract sum being reached, has been approved. The project is EU funded and this condition is linked to the funding regulations.

All other tender documents, conditions and requirements, which are not superseded by this clarification, remain in place.



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