



Employer: Credit Guarantee Trust Fund for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE)
 Project: Credit Guarantee Facility (CGF) to enhance solar rooftop for MSMEs (BMZ
 No.: 202068864)
 Procurement : Implementation Consultant (KfW Procurement No: 509490)
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No	Question	Clarification
1	1. Is ISO certification a mandatory requirement? 2. If ISO certification is required, does it need to be ISO 9001, or can other ISO certifications such as ISO 14000 or ISO 14064 satisfy this requirement? 3. In the case of a Joint Venture, is it acceptable for the Lead Consultant to not have an ISO certification if the non-leading consultants in the JV have ISO certification? 4. If ISO certification is a mandatory requirement and the Lead Consultant does not have any ISO certification, can we submit references from the World Bank for previous projects as a substitution?	The (clear) wording of SP 2.2.1 of the Prequalification Document applies: The Applicant or, in case of a JV, the Lead Consultant shall have implemented a Quality Management System certified according to ISO 9001 standard or an internationally recognized equivalent and present the certification as part of their Application. Acceptable equivalents must also be certifications concerning the Quality Management System. Applications not fulfilling this requirement will be considered non-compliant and rejected.
2	We understand that the contract will be signed with "Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE)". Please confirm.	Correct.
3	We understand invoices will be raised to and paid by "Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE)". Please confirm.	Incorrect. Invoices will be raised to the Employer Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) c/ o KfW. Invoices will be paid by KfW directly to the account of the Consultant on behalf of the Employer by means of the direct disbursement procedure.
4	Please clarify on the mode of submission of prequalification response. In GP, 3.2.1, mode of submission is hardcopy. In SP, 2.4, only electronic submissions are required. <i>Applications shall be submitted electronically only. Physical submission of Applications is not required.</i>	SP 2.4 applies. Applications shall be submitted electronically only



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5	We could not find “ GP 2.2.1(d)(VII) ” which was referenced for details of Applicant’s Capability under section 2.1 and 2.3 of Qualification Criteria	The reference is correct. Itself refers to the relevant forms in Section III (Form 5 and Form 6).
6	Considering the complexity of submission requirements, and time taken for factoring in the responses to clarifications sought, and upcoming public holidays, it is requested to extend the deadline for submission by ten days.	The Deadline for Submission of Applications will not be extended.
7	Please provide us the key position requirements against which we need to show the list of available expertise in Form 6.	Please refer to the list of “REQUIRED EXPERTISES” in SP 1.6 b) of the Prequalification Document.