

Q1: Considering that the AUP Report template provided is not final, can the contractors propose slight amendments at this stage in order to clarify some sections and to align with the requirements of the reporting standard?

A1: Yes

Q2: As we noted, the provided template is the one from the European Commission, however there is available a report template issued by the Royal Nederlandse Beroepsorganisatie van Accountants (NBA) which includes some updates needed to bring some additional clarifications in order to be compliant with the AUP standard. Therefore, could you please clarify if the amendments can be proposed following the NBA report template's structure?

A2: Yes, the templates utilized are intended to be exactly as those utilized for the rest of the audits under the contract of KIC Urban Mobility

Q3: In section 3 of the Request for proposal, it is mentioned that "These encompass KIC InnoEnergy SE (as sole beneficiary of the grant) plus 6 affiliated entities...". Our understanding is that a total number of 7 Auditors' independent reports of factual findings will be issued. Could you, please, clarify what is the number of reports to be issued after this contract and if our understanding is correct?

A3: Indeed, the proposal needs to be able to accommodate 7 individual reports. However, at the moment, it is expected that audits will be necessary for only 5 out of a potential 7 participants in the grant. Namely, KIC IE SE, KIC IE Iberia SL, KIC IE Germany GmbH, InnoEnergy Central Europe Sp.z.o.o. and the Institute of Sustainable Energy Stichting, with KIC IE Sweden AB, and InnoEnergy USA also participants in the grant but not expected to reach the mandatory audit threshold.

Q4: Additionally, in respect of the tender price, in section 3 it is mentioned "The proposed price should be a fixed price for the full CFS audit". Also, in the Evaluation criteria section it is mentioned that "lowest offered expert unit price shall receive the highest score". Could you, please, clarify if a total price for the set of 7 beneficiary/affiliated entities should be provided or a price per beneficiary/affiliated entities?

A4: It is preferred to receive a price per certificate.

Q5: In section 3 it is mentioned that "The actual audit (field work) is expected to be divided roughly in 2 sprints...". Could you, please, clarify if the fieldwork will be fully remote or if any travel will be required in the scope of this contract?

A5: It is expected that the audit process can be executed fully remotely and that the offer will take into consideration the availability of a online tools for that purpose. However, if deemed under mutual agreement necessary to speed up the process, onsite visits can be considered.

Q6: In section 3 of the Request for proposal, it is mentioned that the CFS services will be performed for "a set of 7 beneficiary/affiliated entities". In case the winning tenderer has a conflict of interest with certain affiliated entities, will these be excluded from the scope of the contract?

A6: Yes

Q7: Will travel costs be covered by the grant?

A7: It is expected that there will be no travel costs covered by the grant.