



Tender Specifications

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DEROGATIONS FROM THE GENERAL IMPLEMENTING RULES

Section 4, '*Specific contractual and administrative conditions*' of these Tender Specifications (CSC/Cahier Spécial des Charges) holds the specific administrative and contractual provisions that apply to this public contract by way of derogation from the Royal Decree of 14.01.2013 or as a complement or an elaboration thereof.

These tender documents derogate from Art. 25-33 of the General Implementing Rules (see point 4.7 "Performance bond (Art. 25-33)"). This is motivated by the need to provide equal opportunity for local and international tenderers to participate with a view to increasing competition.

1 Technical Specifications

1.1 Requirements for the services and the deliverables

1.1 General requirements for all tranches/lots

1.1.1 Technical methodology

1.1.1.1 Background of the assignment

The TVET policy 2019 accentuates those skills are necessary for work including Lifelong Learning (LLL). It targets the creation of employable skills not only for school leavers but all Ugandans in need of skills and competencies relevant for the labour market in the formal and non-formal system, private and public TVET providers and employers; and trainees of all age groups including people with special needs.

While the public institutions train approximately 75 percent of TVET students, the private sector is fairly substantial, and labour market outcomes are similar for graduates of both private and public training.

Given the fragmented TVET sub-sector, sub-optional enrolment levels, structural underinvestment, limited quality of education institutional management as challenges highlighted in the TVET Policy it is difficult to estimate the optimal unit cost for the TVET training for both the institution/providers and the student in Uganda. It is to that background that study be undertaken to identify a unit cost for training a TVET student at all levels.

The findings of the Unit Cost study will support the implementation of the proposed co-financed TVET financing framework, provide an advocacy platform for increased budget allocation to TVET, encourage private sector to invest in TVET, increase efficiency and minimize costs in specific aspects of TVET delivery.

1.1.1.2 General requirements for the assignment

- **General objective**

The overall objective of the assignment is to undertake a study to determine the Unit cost of TVET in Uganda

- **Specific objectives**

- i. Categorize TVET institutions and providers in Uganda according to the policy direction
- ii. Define the basic requirements of TVET delivery for different modules and programmes at different levels in different categories of institutions defined in the policy
- iii. Determine the cost of training a TVET student for different modules, courses and programmes at different levels
- iv. Develop a rationalized and realistic framework for resource allocation to public TVET institutions.

1.1.1.3 Specific requirements for the assignment

Tasks:

- i. Define the basic requirements of TVET delivery for different modules, courses and programmes at different levels in various categories of institutions.
- ii. Establish the cost of training and educating a TVET student in a modularized way under a particular module/course/programme by occupation and level including the trainer's remuneration.
- iii. Establish the cost of training for the different levels in the TVET system.
- iv. Disaggregate the unit cost of training with particular attention to needs of females and other disadvantaged categories of TVET students.
- v. Break down the unit cost to show programmes, enrolments, tuition fees, welfare, instructional materials/tools and other costs.
- vi. Compare the Government sponsored students' unit cost with the private sponsored students' unit costs.
- vii. Compare the proposed identified unit costs with the current unit costs in Uganda, East-Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa.
- viii. Prepare a detailed report on the unit cost by module/course/programme for each TVET institution/provider category. The established unit cost will be disaggregated by module/course/programme, tuition, welfare, training materials and other components including trainer's remuneration.
- ix. Analyse and highlight the current financing gap
- x. Develop a rationalized and realistic framework for resource allocation to public TVET institutions.
- xi. On the basis of the derived unit cost for training a student by module/course/programmes, determine the amount of subsidy that the government or the donor community would pay for a student and what the students should cover on their own.
- xii. Propose a mechanism to the Ministry of Education and Sports and the partners in TVET on how all the TVET institutions/providers can fit in the Mid-Term Expenditure framework (MTEF) ceilings of the sector and the funding programmes and priorities of the country.

Deliverables:

Deliverable 1: Approved Inception Report - A detailed report for the consultants proposed approach will be submitted for approval. Any draft data collection tools will also be submitted for review at this stage. The consultant is expected to incorporate feedback from the inception meeting and resubmit for approval.

Deliverable 2: Draft Report and Presentation - A draft report will be submitted by the consultant to the MoES and Enabel for approval. This will cover the study approach and methodology, main findings, and project recommendations. Any data collection tools should be included as Annexes. Any raw data sets cleaned data sets, syntax files, and data analysis outputs should also be submitted at this stage. Raw and cleaned data must be submitted in MS Excel format. Other data can be submitted in other software formats, however clear workings must be supplied. the consultant will present the preliminary findings for discussion at a 1-day stakeholders' workshop. At the end of the workshop, a report incorporating comments by stakeholders and, where necessary, responses will be submitted to the Contract Manager.

Deliverable 3: The consultant will lead a 1-day workshop with MoES and stakeholders to present the final report and to facilitate discussion about how government, partners, training providers and different stakeholders can adopt the recommendations MoES and Enabel will provide guidance on the workshop format.

Deliverable 4: From the findings workshop, feedback on the draft report must be incorporated into the final report. This process will continue until MoES and Enabel are satisfied with the final report. Any revisions to data sets and analysis etc. must be re-submitted.

Approach and methodology:

The unit costs will be derived from submissions from and discussions with the individual TVET Providers including TVET institutions at different levels; the world of work, the Directorate of TVET, departments of planning, TVET Trainers' Training Research and Innovation (TTTRI) and Human Resource Management (HRM) of MoES, and the Development Partners in skilling.

The presentations in the report will be summarized on the basis of module/course/programmes by institution/provider category. For each of the module/courses/programmes details will be provided to the extent of: enrolment; tuition; faculty remuneration including special allowances; materials and equipment; health and safety gears; field excursions; field/industrial attachment; training projects' costs; total training cost; welfare cost broken down into: accommodation, food, medical and utility; recess term; sanitation and overall unit cost. The nomenclature of this categorization will slightly differ from institution to institution but by and large the breakdown will reflect tuition and welfare. Detailed Annexes will be provided by the consultant.

The training providers include the for-profit providers of institution-based individual training, nongovernmental organization (NGO) providers, fee-based training provided by companies in their fields of expertise, professional or paraprofessional institutions and local or foreign, and training providers.

These may include public or private institutions at different levels, which may include among others; technical schools, community polytechnics, vocational training centers and institutes, technical institutes, technical colleges and specialized training institutions. Others may include TVET providers such NGOs, Community Based Organizations, faith-based organizations and associations, private companies and individuals, non-formal providers and formal enterprises. Whereas the Consultant is obliged to cover all TVET institutions, due to the financial resource and time constraint the Consultant will propose a suitable sampling methodology (at inception for approval) that will yield the best results for the study.

The TVET Unit cost study in Uganda will be done through extensive meetings and consultations with the TVET stakeholders. Both qualitative and quantitative methods will be applied in the analysis to come up with the report. The consultant is expected to employ a mixed-methods approach, using a variety of data collection and analysis techniques for both quantitative and qualitative data.

1.1.2 Quality management

The Contractor shall ensure quality management through continuous monitoring. This monitoring shall take a quality assurance (QA) approach and collect information on the service provider's conduct in implementing the activities.

This QA approach shall be based on the following principles: data collection through review of literature and stakeholder engagements; adequate execution of the proposed schedule within the set timelines.

The Contractor shall use these principles to ensure the quality of their service and to monitor the satisfaction of those involved in all aspects of the activities.

Evaluation of the performance will be conducted by the Contracting Authority to assess the level of the quality of services provided and the service provider. The Contracting Authority will communicate the assessment methodology prior to the evaluation.

The Contracting Authority will communicate the outcomes of the evaluation sessions to the Contractor and, if necessary, will ask for actions to be taken. The Contractor can also perform self-evaluation, without the results of it being binding to the Contracting Authority. The Contracting Authority will closely monitor the content, methodology and implementation of the activities to ensure that the desired level is kept.

1.1.3 Project Management

A kick off meeting will take place in Kampala at the start of the performance. The aim will be to discuss with the Contracting Authority the general implementation of the project, the work plan and the communication with the project management team. The meeting will also aim at clarifying to the Contractor the roles and responsibilities of the Contracting Authority during the implementation.

As required, ad hoc meetings and conference calls will be scheduled and organised by the Contractor during the implementation of a given service request. Prior to each of these meetings/ conference calls the Contractor will submit to the Contracting Authority a brief summary of any specific points that need to be discussed.

Supplementary meetings in Kampala during the implementation of the specific contracts may be convened at the request of the Contracting Authority to monitor the implementation.

The Contractor shall be required to reply to all queries from the Contracting Authority within two (2) working days, unless agreed otherwise.

Furthermore, the Contractor shall be obliged to ensure that the key experts comply to and follow the instructions given by the Contracting Authority, to allow smooth administration of the activities.

The Contractor must also ensure timely and accurate invoicing for services delivered as well as any required reporting.

Without prejudice to any of the outputs/deliverables as outlined above, the Contractor shall on request, provide overview reports with, at a minimum, the following characteristics:

- Frequency: on request
- Form: in spreadsheet format.

The consultant will report directly to the Contract Manager, the Intervention/Project Manager (P/IM) of SSU at Enabel. However, s/he will also be expected to work closely with the Ministry of Education and Sports (MoES).

The Ministry of Education and Sports and Enabel will jointly provide:

- a) Guidance and technical support as required throughout the study
- b) Provide relevant information throughout the study
- c) Introductory meetings with key government staff
- d) Organisation (including logistics costs) of stakeholders' workshops
- e) Offer appropriate backstopping and administrative support as well as quality assurance for assignment
- f) Comments and feedback on, and approval of, all deliverables within agreed timeline.

The consultant will be responsible for:

- a) Developing the detailed methodology and data collection tools
- b) Digitization of all data collection tools
- c) Conducting all data collection, including recruitment, training and payment of enumerators as well as all field logistics not included above
- d) Analysis of data and reporting in a clear and accessible format
- e) Regular progress reporting to the Contract Manager, including responding to any comments or technical inputs wherever reasonable
- f) Presenting the draft findings for the Contract report to receive feedback at (remote) stakeholders' workshops
- g) Presenting the final Contract and Study Report and leading the discussion of the (remote) findings workshop
- h) Production of deliverables within agreed timeline and in accordance with the client's style guidelines
- i) Seeking comments and feedback from MoES and Enabel, through the Contract Manager, in sufficient time to discuss and incorporate these into the final report

1.2 Requirements for the resources

1.2.1 Composition of the team

For the tender	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1 coordinator/team leader• a pool of 2 experts
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Coordinator/team leader

The Contractor shall identify a coordinator/team leader within its organisation who will represent the single point of contact for all administrative and operational communication with the Contracting Authority. The single point of contact and if necessary, his/her replacement must fulfil the requirements set in the selection criteria. Similarly, the Contracting Authority will designate contact persons.

All communications and exchange of information between the Contracting Authority and the Contractor during the contract period shall be held in writing or email, in English and be addressed to the Contractor's single point of contact and to the contact person in the Contracting Authority respectively.

The coordinator will need to closely collaborate with the Contracting Authority ensuring that the quality of the assignment meets the standards set. In addition, he/she shall safeguard that the requirements as described in this tender are being kept.

Experts

The Contractor will be responsible for selecting the individual expert for delivering the outputs of the specific activities of the contract. But each individual expert will require all the following skills and expertise, as specified hereafter.

1.2.2 Management of the Team

Efficient communication and sharing of experience must be put in place within the team.

In case of unavailability of a Team Member, the Contractor shall ensure prompt replacement with at least the same level of qualifications as those of the Expert being replaced and who was initially proposed for the assignment in accordance with the Tender.

1.2.3 Qualifications of the Team

Mandatory requirements for the team:

- i. Extensive experience in carrying out surveys, preferably in the Education Sector with a bias in TVET
- ii. Experience conducting unit cost analysis
- iii. Experience conducting studies in Uganda or/and East African Region
- iv. Demonstrable academic and practical experience in qualitative and quantitative research methodology
- v. Strong analytical, facilitation and communication skills
- vi. Excellent reporting and presentation skills
- vii. Fluency in spoken and written English
- viii. A post graduate qualification most preferably monitoring and evaluation.
- ix. The team leader and expert(s) should hold an advanced degree in Education and or TVET, Human Resources management, Organizational Development, Project Management, Social & Human Sciences, and/or other relevant fields
- x. In depth understanding and relevant knowledge and experience in Education and Training and the TVET Sector in the East African Region (over 10 years' experience)
- xi. Proven experience/background in capacity building addressing similar institutional establishment and development/or reform of Authorities or other semi-autonomous administrative structures
- xii. Knowledge of statistics will be added advantage.

1.2.4 Deployments of the Team

The Contractor will be responsible for selecting the individual experts for delivering quality outputs of the specific tasks of the assignment.

Below is the number of person days for the assignment:

Assignments	Tasks/Activity	Fixed person-days
Item 1	Define the basic requirements of TVET delivery for different modules, courses and programmes at different levels in various categories of institutions; establish the cost of training and educating a TVET student in a modularized way under a particular module/course/programme by occupation and level including all costs involved	70
	Total	70

2 General provisions

2.1 Derogations from the General Implementing Rules

Chapter ‘*Specific contractual and administrative conditions*’ of these Tender Specifications (CSC/Cahier Spécial des Charges) holds the specific administrative and contractual provisions that apply to this public procurement contract as a derogation of the Royal Decree of 14.01.2013 or as a complement or an elaboration thereof.

2.2 Contracting authority

The contracting authority of this public procurement contract is Enabel, the Belgian development agency, public-law company with social purposes, with its registered office at Rue Haute 147, 1000 Brussels in Belgium (enterprise number 0264.814.354, RPM/RPR Brussels). Enabel has the exclusive competence for the execution, in Belgium and abroad, of public service tasks of direct bilateral cooperation with the partner countries. Moreover, it may also perform other development cooperation tasks at the request of public interest organisations, and it can develop its own activities to contribute towards realisation of its objectives.

For this procurement contract, Enabel is represented by person(s) who will sign the award letter = ‘mandataries’ / who are mandated to represent the company towards third parties.

2.3 Institutional setting of Enabel

The general framework of reference in which Enabel operates is:

- The Belgian Law on Development Cooperation of 19 March 2013¹;
- The Belgian Law of 21 December 1998 establishing the Belgian Technical Cooperation as a public-law company²;
- The Belgian Law of 23 November 2017 changing the name of the Belgian Technical Cooperation and defining the missions and functioning of Enabel, the Belgian development agency, published in the Belgian Official Gazette on 11 December 2017.

The following initiatives are also guiding Enabel in its operations: We mention as main examples:

- In the field of international cooperation: the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Declaration on the harmonisation and alignment of aid;
- In the field of the fight against corruption: the Law of 8 May 2007 approving the United Nations Convention against Corruption, adopted in New York on 31 October 2003², as well as the Law of 10 February 1999 on the Suppression of Corruption transposing the Convention on Combating Bribery of Foreign Public Officials in International Business Transactions;
- In the field of Human Rights: the United Nations’ Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) as well as the 8 basic conventions of the International Labour

¹ Belgian Official Gazette of 30 December 1998, of 17 November 2001, of 6 July 2012, of 15 January 2013 and of 26 March 2013.
Belgian Official Gazette of 1 July 1999.

² Belgian Official Gazette of 18 November 2008.

Organisation³ on Freedom of Association (C. n°87), on the Right to Organise and Collective Bargaining (C. n°98), on Forced Labour (C. n°29 and 105), on Equal Remuneration and on Discrimination in Respect of Employment (C. n°100 and 111), on Minimum Age for Admission to Employment (C. n°138), on the Prohibition of the Worst Forms of Child Labour (C. n°182);

- In the field of environmental protection: The Climate Change Framework Convention in Paris, 12 December 2015;
- The first Management Contract concluded between Enabel and the Belgian federal State (approved by the Royal Decree of 17.12.2017, Belgian Official Gazette 22.12.2017) that sets out the rules and the special conditions for the execution of public service tasks by Enabel on behalf of the Belgian State.
- Enabel's Code of Conduct of January 2019, Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse of June 2019 and Enabel's Policy regarding fraud and corruption risk management of June 2019;

2.4 Rules governing the procurement contract

- The following, among other things, applies to this public procurement contract:
- The Law of 17 June 2016 on public procurement contracts⁴;
- The Law of 17 June 2013 on justifications, notification and legal remedies for public procurement contracts and certain procurement contracts for works, supplies and services⁵;
- The Royal Decree of 18 April 2017 on the award of public procurement contracts in the classic sectors⁶;
- Royal Decree of 14 January 2013 establishing the General Implementing Rules for public procurement contracts and for concessions for public works⁷;
- Circulars of the Prime Minister with regards to public procurement contracts.
- All Belgian regulations on public procurement contracts can be consulted on www.publicprocurement.be.
- Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse – June 2019;
- Enabel's Policy regarding fraud and corruption risk management – June 2019;
- Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation – 'GDPR'), and repealing Directive 95/46/EC.
- Law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data. ;

³ <http://www.ilo.org/ilolex/french/convdisp1.htm>.

⁴ Belgian Official Gazette 14 July 2016.

⁵ Belgian Official Gazette of 21 June 2013.

⁶ Belgian Official Gazette 9 May 2017.

⁷ Belgian Official Gazette 27 June 2017.

All Belgian regulations on public contracts can be consulted on www.publicprocurement.be;

Enabel's Code of Conduct and the policies mentioned above can be consulted on Enabel's website via <https://www.enabel.be/content/integrity-desk>.

2.5 Definitions

The following definitions apply to this procurement contract:

The tenderer: An economic operator submitting a tender;

The contractor/ service provider: The tenderer to whom the procurement contract is awarded;

The contracting authority: Enabel, represented by the Resident Representative of Enabel in Uganda.

The tender: Commitment of the tenderer to perform the procurement contract under the conditions that he has submitted;

Days: In the absence of any indication in this regard in the Tender Specifications and the applicable regulations, all days should be interpreted as calendar days;

Procurement documents: Tender Specifications including the annexes and the documents they refer to;

Technical specifications: A specification in a document defining the characteristics of a product or a service, such as the quality levels, the environmental and climate performance levels, the design for all needs, including accessibility for people with disabilities, and the evaluation of conformity, of product performance, of the use of the product, safety or dimensions, as well as requirements applicable to the product as regards the name by which it is sold, terminology, symbols, testing and test methods, packaging, marking or labelling, instructions for use, the production processes and methods at every stage in the life cycle of the supply or service, as well as the evaluation and conformity procedures;

Variant: An alternative method for the design or the performance that is introduced either at the demand of the contracting authority, or at the initiative of the tenderer;

Option: A minor and not strictly necessary element for the performance of the procurement contract, which is introduced either at the demand of the contracting authority, or at the initiative of the tenderer;

Inventory: The procurement document which splits up the performance in different items and specifies the quantity or the method to determine the price for each of them;

General Implementing Rules (GIR): Rules laid down in the Royal Decree of 14.01.2013 establishing the General Implementing Rules for public procurement contracts and for concessions for public works;

The Tender Specifications (Cahier spécial des charges/CSC): This document and its annexes and the documents it refers to;

Corrupt practices: The offer of a bribe, gift, gratuity or commission to any person as an inducement or reward for performing or refraining from any act relating to the award of a procurement contract or performance of a procurement contract already concluded with the contracting authority;

Litigation: Court action.

Subcontractor in the meaning of public procurement regulations: The economic operator proposed by a tenderer or contractor to perform part of the contract. The subcontractor is understood as the economic operator with the capacity which the applicant or tenderer relies upon or to whom he entrusts all or part of his engagements.

Controller in the meaning of the GDPR: the natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which, alone or jointly with others, determines the purposes and means of the processing of personal data.

Sub-contractor or processor in the meaning of the GDPR: a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or other body which processes personal data on behalf of the controller.

Recipient in the meaning of the GDPR: a natural or legal person, public authority, agency or another body, to which the personal data are disclosed, whether a third party or not.

Personal data: any information relating to an identified or identifiable natural person ('data subject'); an identifiable natural person is one who can be identified, directly or indirectly, in particular by reference to an identifier such as a name, an identification number, location data, an online identifier or to one or more factors specific to the physical, physiological, genetic, mental, economic, cultural or social identity of that natural person.

2.6 Processing of personal data by the contracting authority and confidentiality

2.6.1 Processing of personal data by the contracting authority

The contracting authority undertakes to process the personal data that are communicated to it in response to the Call for Tenders with the greatest care, in accordance with legislation on the protection of personal data (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR). Where the Belgian law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data contains stricter provisions, the contracting authority will act in accordance with said law.

2.6.2 Confidentiality

The tenderer or contractor and Enabel are bound to secrecy vis-à-vis third parties with regards to any confidential information obtained within the framework of this public contract and will only divulge such information to third parties after receiving the prior written consent of the other party. They will disclose this confidential information only among appointed parties involved in the assignment. They guarantee that said appointed parties will be adequately informed of their obligations in respect of the confidential nature of the information and that they shall comply therewith.

PRIVACY NOTICE OF ENABEL: Enabel takes your privacy serious. We undertake to protect and process your personal data with due care, transparently and in strict compliance with privacy protection legislation.

See also: <https://www.enabel.be/content/privacy-notice-enabel>

2.7 Deontological obligations

Any failure to comply with one or more of the deontological clauses may lead to the exclusion of the candidate, tenderer or contractor from other public procurement contracts for Enabel.

For the duration of the procurement contract, the contractor and his staff respect human rights and undertake not to go against political, cultural or religious customs of the beneficiary country. The tenderer or contractor is bound to respect fundamental labour standards, which are internationally agreed upon by the International Labour Organisation (ILO), namely the conventions on union freedom and collective bargaining, on the elimination of forced and obligatory labour, on the elimination of employment and professional discrimination and on the abolition of child labour.

In accordance with Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse, the contractor and his staff have the duty to behave in an irreproachable manner towards the beneficiaries of the projects and towards the local population in general. They must abstain from any acts that could be considered a form of sexual exploitation or abuse and they must abide by the basic principles and guidelines laid down in this policy.

Any attempt of a candidate or a tenderer to obtain confidential information, to proceed to illicit arrangements with competitors or to influence the evaluation committee or the contracting authority during the investigation, clarification, evaluation and comparison of tenders and candidates procedure will lead to the rejection of the application or the tender.

Moreover, in order to avoid any impression of risk of partiality or connivance in the follow-up and control of the performance of the procurement contract, it is strictly forbidden to the contractor to offer, directly or indirectly, gifts, meals or any other material or immaterial advantage, of whatever value, to agents of the contracting authority who are concerned, directly or indirectly, by the follow-up and/or control of the performance of the procurement contract, regardless of their hierarchical rank.

The contractor of the procurement contract commits to supply, upon the demand of the contracting authority, any supporting documents related to the performance conditions of the contract. The contracting authority will be allowed to proceed to any control, on paperwork or on site, which it considers necessary to collect evidence to support the presumption of unusual commercial expenditure. Depending on the gravity of the facts observed, the contractor having paid unusual commercial expenditure is liable to have its contract cancelled or to be permanently excluded from receiving funds.

In accordance with Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse of June 2019 and Enabel's Policy regarding fraud and corruption risk management complaints relating to issues of integrity (fraud, corruption, etc.) must be sent to the Integrity desk through the <https://www.enabelintegrity.be> website.

2.8 Applicable law and competent courts

The procurement contract must be performed and interpreted according to Belgian law.

The parties commit to sincerely perform their engagements to ensure the good performance of this procurement contract.

In case of litigation or divergence of opinion between the contracting authority and the contractor, the parties will consult each other to find a solution.

If agreement is lacking, the Brussels courts are the only courts competent to resolve the matter.

3 Modalities of the contract

3.1 Type of contract

This procurement contract is a direct services contract.

3.2 Scope of the contract

3.2.1 Subject-matter

This services procurement contract consists in the performance of Consultancy services to undertake a study to determine the Unit cost of TVET in Uganda, in conformity with the conditions of these Tender Specifications.

3.2.2 Items

The procurement contract of this procurement contract consists of the items stated in the technical specifications.

These items are pooled and form one single procurement contract. It is not possible to tender for one or several items and the tenderer must submit price quotations for all items of the procurement contract.

3.2.3 Variants

Each tenderer may submit only one tender. Variants are forbidden.

3.5 Duration of the contract

The procurement contract has a fixed term and it starts upon award notification and lasts three months.

3.8 Value of the contract

Quantities will be determined in order forms. The presumed quantities below are given for information purposes only.

Estimated maximum value for the contract: 35 000 EUR

	Fixed number of person days	Estimated maximum amount
Estimates for the whole duration of the contract	70	35,000

4 Special contractual provisions

This chapter of these Tender Specifications holds the specific provisions that apply to this public procurement contract as a derogation of the 'General Implementing Rules for public procurement contracts and for public works concessions' of the Royal Decree of 14 January 2013, hereinafter referred to as 'GIR', or as a complement or an elaboration thereof. The numbering of the articles below (between brackets) follows the numbering of the GIR articles. Unless indicated, the relevant provisions of the General Implementing Rules (GIR) apply in full.

4.1 Managing official (Art. 11)

The managing official is Ms. Christine Karungi, Project Coordinator, SSU Project, e-mail: christine.karungi@enabel.be

Once the procurement contract is concluded, the managing official is the main contact point for the service provider. Any correspondence or any questions with regards to the performance of the procurement contract will be addressed to him/her, unless explicitly mentioned otherwise in these Tender Specifications.

The managing official is responsible for the follow-up of the performance of the contract.

The managing official is fully competent for the follow-up of the satisfactory performance of the procurement contract, including issuing service orders, drawing up reports and states of affairs, approving the services, progress reports and reviews. (S)he may order any modifications to the procurement contract with regards to its subject-matter provided that they remain within its scope.

However, the signing of amendments or any other decision or agreement implying derogation from the essential terms and conditions of the procurement contract are not part of the competence of the managing official. For such decisions the contracting authority is represented as stipulated under the contracting authority.

Under no circumstances is the managing official allowed to modify the terms and conditions (e.g. performance deadline) of the contract, even if the financial impact is nil or negative. Any commitment, change or agreement that deviates from the conditions in the Tender Specifications and that has not been notified by the contracting authority, will be considered null and void.

4.2 Subcontractors (Art. 12 to 15)

The fact that the contractor entrusts all or part of his commitments to subcontractors does not relieve him of liability to the contracting authority. The latter does not recognise any contractual relation with third parties.

The contractor remains, in any case, solely liable to the contracting authority.

The service provider commits to having the procurement contract performed by the persons indicated in the tender, except for force majeure. The persons mentioned or their replacements are all deemed to effectively be involved in the performance of the procurement contract. Any replacements must be approved by the contracting authority.

When the contractor uses a subcontractor to carry out specific processing activities on behalf of the contracting authority, the same data protection obligations as those of the contractor are imposed on that subcontractor by contract or any other legal act.

In the same way, the contractor will respect and enforce to his subcontractors, the provisions of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR). The contracting authority may conduct an audit of the processing carried out in order to validate compliance with this legislation.

4.3 Confidentiality (art. 18)

The knowledge and information gathered by the tenderer under the framework of this public contract is strictly confidential.

Under no circumstances can the information collected, regardless of its origin and nature, be transferred to third parties in any form.

The tenderer is therefore bound by the duty of discretion.

In accordance with Article 18 of the Royal Decree of 14 January 2013 establishing the general rules for public procurement, the tenderer undertakes to consider and process in a strictly confidential manner any information, all facts, any documents and/or any data, whatever their nature and support, which have been communicated to him, in any form and by any means, or to which he has access, directly or indirectly, in the context or on the occasion of this public contract. Confidential information covers, in particular, the very existence of this public contract, without this list being limited.

Therefore, he undertakes to:

- Respect and enforce the strict confidentiality of these elements and to take all necessary precautions in order to preserve their secrecy (these precautions cannot in any case be inferior to those taken by the tenderer for the protection of his own confidential information);
- Consult, use and/or exploit, directly or indirectly, all of the above elements only to the extent strictly necessary to prepare and, if necessary, to carry out this public contract (particularly in accordance with the privacy legislation with respect to personal data processing);
- Not reproduce, distribute, disclose, transmit or otherwise make available to third parties the above elements, in whole or in part, and in any form, unless having obtained prior and written consent of the contracting authority;
- Return, at the first request of the contracting authority, the above elements;
- In general, not disclose directly or indirectly to third parties, whether for advertising or any other reason, the content of this public contract.

4.4 Protection of personal data

4.4.1 Processing of personal data by the contracting authority

The contracting authority undertakes to process the personal data that are communicated to it in response to the Call for Tenders with the greatest care, in accordance with legislation on the protection of personal data (General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR). Where the Belgian law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data contains stricter provisions, the contracting authority will act in accordance with said law.

4.4.2 Processing of personal data by a subcontractor

PROCESSING OF PERSONAL DATA BY A CONTROLLER (RECIPIENT)

During contract performance, the contractor may process personal data of the contracting authority or in execution of a legal obligation.

For any processing of personal data carried out in connection with this public contract, the contractor is required to comply with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data (GDPR) and the Belgian law of 30 July 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data.

By simply participating in the contracting process, the tenderer certifies that he will strictly comply with the obligations of the GDPR for any processing of personal data conducted in connection with that public contract.

Given the public contract, it is to be considered that the contracting authority and the contractor will each be responsible, individually, for the processing.

4.5 Intellectual property (Art. 19 to 23)

The contracting authority acquires the intellectual property rights created, developed or used during performance of the contract.

4.6 Performance bond (Art. 25 to 33)

For this procurement contract no performance bond is required.

4.7 Conformity of performance (Art. 34)

The works, supplies and services must comply in all respects with the procurement documents. Even in the absence of technical specifications in the procurement documents, the works, supplies and services must comply in all aspects with good practice.

4.8 Changes to the procurement contract (Art. 37 to 38/19)

4.8.1 Replacement of the contractor (Art. 38/3)

Provided that he meets the selection and exclusion criteria set out in this document, a new contractor may replace the contractor with whom the initial procurement contract was agreed in cases other than those provided for in Art. 38/3 of the General Implementing Rules (GIR).

The contractor submits his request as quickly as possible by registered post, stating the reasons for this replacement and providing a detailed inventory of the state of supplies and services already performed, the new contractor's contact details and the documents and certificates which the contracting authority cannot access free of charge.

The replacement will be recorded in an amendment dated and signed by all three parties. The initial contractor remains liable to the contracting authority for the performance of the remainder of the procurement contract.

4.8.2 Adjusting the prices (Art. 38/7)

For this procurement contract, price reviews are not permitted.

4.8.3 Indemnities following the suspensions ordered by the contracting authority during performance (Art. 38/12)

The contracting authority reserves the right to suspend the performance of the procurement contract for a given period, mainly when it considers that the procurement contract cannot be performed without inconvenience at that time.

The performance period is extended by the period of delay caused by this suspension, provided that the contractual performance period has not expired. If it has expired, the return of fines for late performance will be agreed.

When activities are suspended, based on this clause, the contractor is required to take all necessary precautions, at his expense, to protect the services already performed and the materials from potential damage caused by unfavourable weather conditions, theft or other malicious acts. The contractor has a right to damages for suspensions ordered by the contracting authority when:

- The suspension lasts in total longer than one twentieth of the performance time and at least ten working days or two calendar weeks, depending on whether the performance time is expressed in working days or calendar days;
- The suspension is not due to unfavourable weather conditions;
- The suspension occurred during the contract performance period.

Within thirty days of their occurrence or the date on which the contractor or the contracting authority would normally have become aware of them, the contractor reports the facts or circumstances succinctly to the contracting authority and describes precisely their impact on the progress and cost of the procurement contract.

4.8.4 Unforeseen circumstances

As a rule, the contractor is not entitled to any modification of the contractual terms due to circumstances of which the contracting authority was unaware.

A decision of the Belgian State to suspend cooperation with a partner country is deemed to be unforeseeable circumstances within the meaning of this article. Should the Belgian State break off or cease activities which implies therefore the financing of this procurement contract, Enabel will do everything reasonable to agree a maximum compensation figure.

4.9 Preliminary technical acceptance (Art. 42)

The contracting authority reserves the right to demand an activity report at any time of the assignment to the service provider (meetings held, persons met, institutions visited, summary of results, problems encountered and unresolved issues, deviations from the planning and deviations from the ToR...).

4.10 Performance modalities (Art. 146 et seq.)

4.10.1 Deadlines and terms (Art. 147)

The services must be performed within three calendar months as from the day after the date on which the service provider received the contract conclusion notification letter. The closure of the service provider's business for annual holidays is not included in this calculation.

4.10.2 Place where the services must be performed and formalities (Art. 149)

The services will be performed at the following address:

The assignment will be performed in Kampala with regional consultations.

4.11 Inspection of the services (Art. 150)

If during contract performance irregularities are found, the contractor will be notified about this immediately by fax or e-mail, which will be confirmed consequently by registered letter. The contractor is bound to perform the non-complying services again.

The service provider advises the managing official by registered post or e-mail showing the exact date of dispatch, at which date the services can be controlled.

4.12 Liability of the service provider (Art. 152-153)

The service provider takes the full responsibility for mistakes and deficiencies in the services provided.

Moreover, the service provider indemnifies the contracting authority against damages for which it is liable towards third parties due to late performance of the services or due to failure of the service provider.

4.13 Zero tolerance Sexual exploitation and abuse

In application of Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse of June 2019 there will be zero tolerance towards any misconduct that could impact the professional credibility of the tenderer.

4.14 Means of action of the contracting authority (Art. 44-51 and 154155)

The service provider's default is not solely related to services as such but also to the whole of the service provider's obligations.

In order to avoid any impression of risk of partiality or connivance in the follow-up and control of the performance of the procurement contract, it is strictly forbidden to the service provider to offer, directly or indirectly, gifts, meals or any other material or immaterial advantage, of whatever value, to the employees of the contracting authority who are concerned, directly or indirectly, by the follow-up and/or control of the performance of the procurement contract, regardless of their hierarchical rank.

In case of violation, the contracting authority may impose a lump-sum fine to the service provider for each violation, which can be up to three times the amount obtained by adding up the (estimated) values of the advantage offered to the employee and of the advantage that the contractor hoped to obtain by offering the advantage to the employee. The contracting authority will decide independently about the application and the amount of this fine.

This clause is without prejudice to the possible application of other measures as of right provided in the GIR, namely the unilateral termination of the procurement contract and/or the exclusion of procurement contracts of the contracting authority for a determined duration.

4.14.1 Failure of performance (Art. 44)

§1 The contractor is considered to be in failure of performance under the procurement contract:

- 1° when the delivery is not carried out in accordance with the conditions specified in the procurement documents;
- 2° at any time, when the delivery has not progressed in such a way that it can be fully completed on the due dates;
- 3° when he does not observe written orders, which are given in due form by the contracting authority.

§2 Any failure to comply with the provisions of the procurement contract, including the nonobservance of orders of the contracting authority, is recorded in a report ('process verbal'), a copy of which will be sent immediately to the contractor by registered mail.

The contractor must repair the defects without any delay. He may assert his right of defence by registered letter addressed to the contracting authority within fifteen days from the date of dispatch of the report (process verbal). Silence on his part after this period shall be deemed as acknowledgement of the reported facts.

Any defects detected that can be attributed to the contractor render him liable to one or more of the measures provided for in Articles 45 to 49, 154 and 155.

4.14.2 Fines for delay (Art. 46 and 154)

The fines for delay differ from the penalties referred to in Article 45. They are due, without the need for notice, by the mere lapse of the performance term without the issuing of a report and they are automatically applied for the total number of days of delay.

Without prejudice to the application of fines for delay, the contractor continues to guarantee the contracting authority against any damages for which it may be liable to third parties due to late performance of the procurement contract.

4.14.3 Measures as of right (Art. 47 and 155)

§1 When, upon expiry of the term given in Article 44, §2, the contractor has not taken action or has presented means deemed unjustified by the contracting authority, the contracting authority may apply the measures as of right described in paragraph 2.

However, the contracting authority may apply measures as of right without waiting for the expiry of the term given in Article 44, §2, when the contractor has explicitly recognised the defects found. §2 The measures as of right are:

1° Unilateral termination of the procurement contract. In this case the entire performance bond, or if no bond has been posted an equivalent amount, is acquired as of right by the contracting authority as lump sum damages. This measure excludes the application of any fine for delay in performance in respect of the terminated part;

2° Performance under regime of all or part of the non-performed procurement contract;

3° Conclusion of one or more replacement procurement contracts with one or more third parties for all or part of the procurement contract remaining to be performed.

The measures referred to in 1°, 2° and 3° will be taken at the expense and risk of the defaulting contractor. However, any fines or penalties imposed during the performance of a replacement procurement contract will be borne by the new contractor.

4.15 End of the procurement contract

4.15.1 Acceptance of the services performed (Art. 64-65 and 156)

The managing official will closely follow up the services during performance.

The services will not be accepted until after fulfilling audit verifications, technical acceptance and prescribed tests.

The contracting authority disposes of a verification term of thirty days starting on the final or partial end date of the services, set in conformity with the modalities in the procurement documents, to carry out the acceptance formalities and to notify the result to the service provider. This term commences provided that the contracting authority possesses, at the same time, the list of services delivered or the invoice. Upon expiry of the thirty-day term following the date stipulated for completion of the entirety of the services, depending on the case, an acceptance report or a refusal of acceptance report will be drawn up.

Where the services are completed before or after this date, it is the responsibility of the service provider to notify the managing official by registered letter, and at the same time to ask for the acceptance procedure to be carried out. Within thirty days after the date of receipt of the service provider's request, an acceptance or a refusal of acceptance report will be drawn up, depending on the case.

The acceptance specified above is final.

4.15.2 Acceptance costs

Not applicable

4.15.3 Invoicing and payment of services (Art. 66 to 72 – 160)

The contractor sends (one copy only of) the invoices and the contract acceptance report (original copy) to the following address:

Katrien Gielis

Support to Skilling Uganda Project

Enabel, Belgian development agency

Kyadondo Road, Legacy Towers, Wing B, (1st floor)

P.O. Box 40131, Kampala Uganda

Only services that have been performed correctly may be invoiced.

The contracting authority disposes of a verification term of thirty days starting on the end date for the services, set in conformity with the modalities in the procurement documents, to carry out the technical acceptance and provisional acceptance formalities and to notify the result to the service provider.

The amount owed to the service provider must be paid within thirty days with effect from the expiry of the verification term or with effect from the day after the last day of the verification term, if this is less than thirty days, and provided that the contracting authority possesses, at the same time, the duly established invoice and any other documents that may be required.

When the procurement documents do not provide for any separate debt claim, the invoice will constitute the debt claim.

The invoice must be in **EUROS**.

In order for Enabel to obtain the VAT exemption and customs clearance documents as quickly as possible, the original invoice and all ad hoc documents will be transmitted as soon as possible before provisional acceptance.

No advance may be asked by the contractor and the payment will be made after provisional/final acceptance of each service delivery of a same order.

Payments may be made in instalments (progress payments):

- 1st payment : 20% after approval of the inception report
- 2nd payment : 50% after completion of the draft report
- 3rd and final payment : 30% after approval of the final report

4.16 Litigation (Art. 73)

The competent courts of Brussels have exclusive jurisdiction over any dispute arising from the performance of this procurement contract. French or Dutch are the languages of proceedings.

The contracting authority will in no case be held liable for any damage caused to persons or property as a direct or indirect consequence of the activities required for the performance of this procurement contract. The contractor indemnifies the contracting authority against any claims for compensation by third parties in this respect.

In case of 'litigation', i.e. court action, correspondence must (also) be sent to the following address:

Enabel, public-law company

Legal unit of the Logistics and Acquisitions service (L&A)

To the attention of Mrs Inge Janssens rue Haute 147

1000 Brussels

Belgium

5 Procurement procedure

5.1 Type of procedure

This is a Negotiated Procedure without Prior Publication in application of Article 42 of the Law of 17 June 2016.

5.2 Publication

3.2.1 Enabel publication

This procurement contract is published on the Enabel website <https://www.enabel.be/content/enabel-tenders>

5.3 Information

The awarding of this procurement contract is coordinated by the Contract Service Centre of Enabel in Uganda. Throughout this procedure all contacts between the contracting authority and the (prospective) tenderers about this procurement contract will exclusively pass through this service. (Prospective) tenderers are prohibited to contact the contracting authority in any other way with regards to this contract, unless otherwise stipulated in these Tender Specifications.

Until **23th May 2022** inclusive, candidate-tenderers may ask questions about these Tender Specifications and the procurement contract. Questions will be in writing to UGA_CSC_CONTRACTS@enabel.be with copy to christine.akugizibwe@enabel.be with a clear indication in the subject of the e-mail of the procedure reference and the contract title. They will be answered in the order received. The complete overview of questions asked will be available at the address mentioned above as soon as available.

Until the notification of the award decision no information will be given about the evolution of the procedure.

The tenderer is supposed to submit his tender after reading and taking into account any corrections made to the contract notice or the Tender Specifications that are published in the Belgian Public Tender bulletin or that are sent to him by e-mail. To do so, when the tenderer has downloaded the Tender Specifications, it is strongly advised that he gives his coordinates to the public procurement administrator mentioned above and requests information on any modifications or additional information.

In accordance with Article 81 of the Royal Decree of 18 April 2017, the tenderer is required to report immediately any gap, error or omission in the procurement documents that precludes him from establishing his price or compare tenders, within ten days at the latest before the deadline for receipt of tenders.

5.4 Preparation and Submission of Tenders

Preparation of tenders

The tenderer shall prepare separately, the administrative, technical and financial proposals as explained below;

Content of tenders

The tenderer must use the tender form in annexe. In case he does not use this form, he is fully responsible for the perfect concordance between the documents he has used and the form.

The tender and the annexes to the tender form are drawn up in English.

By submitting a tender, the tenderer automatically renounces to his own general or specific sales conditions, even if these are mentioned in any of the annexes to his tender.

The tenderer clearly designates in his tender which information is confidential and/or relates to technical or business secrets and may therefore not be divulged by the contracting authority.

The tender shall contain the following parts:

1. Administrative Proposal

The tenderer shall use the tender forms included in the corresponding section of the Annex.

The Administrative proposal shall respect the following structure:

- Legal identification form
- Financial Identification Form
- Subcontractor form
- Exclusion Criteria Form
- Integrity form
- Tax Clearance Certificate (e.g.; URA, as applicable)
- Social Security Contribution Clearance (e.g. NSFF as applicable)
- An extract from the criminal record in the name of the tenderer (legal person) or his representative (natural person) if there is no criminal record for legal persons (ex. certificate of good conduct from Interpol);
- Technical capacity form
- Financial capacity form

2. Technical Proposal

The technical proposal may be presented in free format. It shall not exceed ten pages, not counting the CVs. It shall respect the following page limit and structure:

- Technical methodology (max. 7 pages)
- Quality management (max. 1 page)
- Project management (max. 1 page)
- Resource management (proposal (max. 1 page) + CVs of experts)

3. Financial Proposal

The tenderer shall use the tender forms included in the corresponding section of the Annex.

Determination of prices

All prices given in the tender form must obligatorily be quoted in **EUROS**.

This procurement contract is a lump sum contract, meaning a contract in which a flat rate price covers the whole performance of the contract or each of the items of the inventory.

In accordance with Article 37 of the Royal Decree of 18 April 2017, the contracting authority may for the purpose of verifying the prices carry out an audit of any and all accounting documents and an on-site audit to check the correctness of the indications supplied.

Elements included in the price

The service provider is deemed to have included in his unit and global prices any charges and taxes generally applied to services, with the exception of the value-added tax.

The following are in particular included in the prices:

Fees, per diems, accommodation costs, meals for any regional consultations including Moroto, Arua, Hoima, Mbarara, Mbale and Gulu as centres for the respective regions. Each region estimated for maximum of 4 days

The administrative management and secretariat;

Travel, transportation and insurance;

Documentation pertaining to the services;

The delivery of documents or of pieces related to the performance;

The packaging;

Training required for operation;

Where applicable, the measures imposed by occupational safety and worker health legislation;

Customs and excise duties for equipment and products used;

Validity of tenders

The tenderers are bound by their tender for a period of 90 calendar days from the reception deadline date.

The validity of the tender will be negotiated, if the deadline stated above is overrun.

5.4.2 Submission of tenders

Without prejudice to any variants, the tenderer may only submit one tender only per procurement contract.

The tenderer submits his tender as follows:

The tenderer shall submit separately (in separate envelopes), the administrative, technical and financial proposals. The sealed envelopes containing the different proposals shall then be put together and sealed in one big envelope to be submitted to the contracting authority.

For electronic submission, the tenderer shall submit the administrative, technical and financial proposals as separate email attachments.

One original copy of the completed tender shall be submitted on paper. Electronic copies shall be submitted as one or more PDF files on a USB stick.

It is submitted in a properly sealed envelope bearing the following information: Tender /UGA1402711-10079 Consultancy services to undertake a study to determine the Unit cost of TVET in Uganda/ Enabel in Uganda

It may be submitted:

- a) By mail (standard mail or registered mail)

In this case, the sealed envelope is put in a second closed envelope addressed to:

Enabel, Belgian development agency

Lower Kololo Terrace, Plot 1B

P.O Box 40131, Kampala

Uganda

- b) Delivered by hand with acknowledgement of receipt.

The service can be reached on working days during office hours: from 9 am to 12 pm and from 1 pm to 4 pm (see the address given under Point a) above).

Any tender shall be received by the Contracting Authority no later than **8th June 2022, 15:00**, Kampala time. Tenders that arrive late will not be accepted¹².

5.4.3 Change or withdrawal of a tender that has already been submitted

When a tenderer wants to change or withdraw a tender already sent or submitted this must be done in accordance with the provisions of Articles 43 and 85 of the Royal Decree of 18 April 2017.

To change or withdraw a tender already sent or submitted, a written statement is required, which will be correctly signed by the tenderer or his representative. The subject-matter and the scope of the changes must be indicated in detail. Any withdrawal must be unconditional.

The withdrawal may also be communicated by fax or electronic means, provided that it is confirmed by registered letter deposited at the post office or against acknowledgement of receipt at the latest the day before the tender acceptance deadline.

The subject-matter and the scope of the changes must be indicated in detail.

The withdrawal must be pure and simple.

5.5 Opening and evaluation of Tenders

5.5.1 Opening of tenderers

The opening of tenders will take place on the day of the final date for receiving tenders indicated above. Tenders not received before this time will be rejected. The opening will take place behind closed doors.

5.5.2 Evaluation of Tenders

5.5.2.1 Selection of tenderers

Exclusion grounds

The mandatory and optional exclusion grounds are given in the Declaration on Honour enclosed to these Tender Specifications.

By submitting this tender, the tenderer certifies that he is not in any of the cases of exclusion listed in the Articles 67 to 70 of the Law of 17 June 2016 and the Articles 61 to 64 of the Royal Decree of 18 April 2017.

The contracting authority will verify the accuracy of this Declaration on honour Based on the supporting documents.

Selection criteria

Moreover, by means of the documents requested in the Annexes - Administrative Proposal, the tenderer must prove that he is sufficiently capable, from an economic and financial as well as from a technical point of view, to successfully perform this public procurement contract.

1	Sufficient Economic and Financial Capacity
1.1	Sufficient turn-over
Minimum Standard	Minimum average annual turnover of 30000 EUR during the past three financial years
2	Sufficient Technical and Professional Capacity
2.1	Sufficient experience in the subject-matter of the contract
Minimum Standard	Minimum of 2 assignments within the scope of the contract, which were totally and successfully completed in the last 3 years, out of which at least 1 was completed in Uganda.

A tenderer may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which he has with these entities. In that case, the following rules apply:

- Where an economic operator wants to rely on the capacities of other entities, it shall prove to the contracting authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary, for example, by producing a commitment by those entities to that effect.
- The contracting authority shall verify whether the entities on whose capacity the economic operator intends to rely fulfil the relevant selection criteria and whether there are grounds for exclusion.
- Where an economic operator relies on the capacities of other entities with regard to criteria relating to economic and financial standing, the contracting authority

may require that the economic operator and those entities be jointly liable for the execution of the contract.

- The contracting authority may require certain essential tasks to be carried out directly by the tenderer himself or, if the tender is submitted by a group of economic operators, by a member of the said group.

Under the same conditions, a group of candidates or tenderers may submit the capacities of the group's participants or of other entities.

Regularity of tenders

The tenders submitted by the selected tenderers will be evaluated as to formal and material regularity. Irregular tenders will be rejected.

The contracting authority reserves the right to have the irregularities in the tenderers' tender regularised during the negotiations.

5.5.2.2 qualitative and financial evaluation of tenders

Negotiation

The formally and materially regular tenders will be evaluated as to content by an evaluation committee. The contracting authority will restrict the number of tenders to be negotiated by applying the award criteria stated in the procurement documents. This evaluation will be conducted on the basis of the award criteria given in these Tender Specifications and aims to setting a shortlist of tenderers with whom negotiations will be conducted.

Then, the negotiation phase follows. In view of improving the contents of the tenders, the contracting authority may negotiate with tenderers the initial tenders and all subsequent tenders that they have submitted, except final tenders. The minimum requirements and the award criteria are not negotiable. However, the contracting authority may also decide not to negotiate. In this case, the initial tender is the final tender.

When the contracting authority intends to conclude the negotiations, it will so advise the remaining tenderers and will set a common deadline for the submission of any BAFOs. Once negotiations have closed, the BAFO will be compared with the exclusion, selection and award criteria. The tenderer whose BAFO shows the best value for money (obtaining the best score based on the award criteria given below) will be designated the contractor for this procurement contract.

Award Criteria

The contracting authority selects the regular tender that it finds to be most advantageous, taking account of the following criteria:

- Qualitative award criteria: 40 %;

The tenderer proposes a technical methodology, a project management plan and a resource management plan based on the instructions given in the technical specifications. They are subject to evaluation according to the following sub-criteria:

N.	Qualitative Award Criteria	Max. Points: 40
1.	Quality of the proposed Technical Methodology	15
3.	Quality of the proposed Project Management (coordination, problem management)	10
4.	Quality of the proposed Resource management Management of Experts (selection, development, replacement) Qualifications of Experts (education and experience)	15 5 10

Only tenders with scores of at least 25 points out of 40 points qualify for the financial evaluation.

- Price: 60 %;

With regards to the 'price' criterion, the following formula will be used:

$$\text{Points tender A} = \frac{\text{amount of lowest tender}}{\text{amount of tender A}} * 60$$

Final score

The scores for the qualitative and financial award criteria will be added up. The procurement contract will be awarded to the tenderer with the highest final score, after the contracting authority has verified the accuracy of the Declaration on honour of this tenderer and provided the control shows that the Declaration on honour corresponds with reality.

5.6 Award and Conclusion of Contract

5.6.1 Awarding the contract

The lots of the procurement contract will be awarded to the tenderer who has submitted the most economically advantageous tender for the lot.

Notice though that in accordance with Art. 85 of the Law of 17 June 2016, there is no obligation for the contracting authority to award the procurement contract.

The contracting authority may either decide not to award the procurement contract; either redo the procedure, if necessary through another award procedure.

The contracting authority maintains the right to award only a certain lot or certain lots.

5.6.2 Concluding the contract

In accordance with Art. 88 of the Royal Decree of 18 April 2017, the procurement contract occurs through the notification to the selected tenderer of the approval of his tender.

Notification is via e-mail.

So, the full contract agreement consists of a procurement contract awarded by Enabel to the chosen tenderer in accordance with:

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- These Tender Specifications and its annexes;
- The approved BAFO of the contractor and all of its annexes;
- The registered letter of notification of the award decision;
- Any later documents that are accepted and signed by both parties, as appropriate.

In an objective of transparency, Enabel undertakes to publish each year a list of recipients of its contracts. By introducing his tender, the successful tenderer declares that he agrees with the publication of the title of the contract, the nature and object of the contract, its name and location, and the amount of the contract.

6 Annexes

6.1 Technical documents

Not applicable.

6.2 Procedural Documents – Tender Forms

6.3.1 ADMINISTRATIVE PROPOSAL

Legal Identification forms

I. PERSONAL DATA			
FAMILY NAME(S) ①			
FIRST NAME(S) ①			
DATE OF BIRTH			
	JJ	MM	YYYY
PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY, VILLAGE)		COUNTRY OF BIRTH	
TYPE OF IDENTITY DOCUMENT			
IDENTITY CARD	PASSPORT	DRIVING LICENCE ②	OTHER ③
ISSUING COUNTRY			
IDENTITY DOCUMENT NUMBER			
PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ④			
PERMANENT PRIVATE ADDRESS			
POSTCODE	P.O. BOX	CITY	
REGION ⑤	COUNTRY		
PRIVATE PHONE			
PRIVATE E-MAIL			
II. BUSINESS DATA		If YES, please provide business data and attach copies of official supporting documents	

<p>Do you run your own business without a separate legal personality (e.g. sole traders, self-employed etc.) and you provide as such services to the Commission, other Institutions, Agencies and EU-Bodies ?</p> <p>YES NO</p>	<p>BUSINESS NAME (if applicable)</p> <p>VAT NUMBER</p> <p>REGISTRATION NUMBER</p> <p>PLACE OF REGISTRATION</p> <p>CITY</p> <p>COUNTRY</p>
<p>DATE</p>	<p>SIGNATURE</p>

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- ① As indicated on the official document.
- ② Accepted only for Great Britain, Ireland, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Iceland, Canada, United States and Australia.
- ③ Failing other identity documents: residence permit or diplomatic passport.
- ④ See table with corresponding denominations by country. ⑤ To be completed with Region, State or Province by non EU countries only, excluding EFTA and candidate countries.

Legal person entity private/public legal body

OFFICIAL NAME ②			
ABBREVIATION			
MAIN REGISTRATION NUMBER ③			
SECONDARY REGISTRATION NUMBER (if applicable)			
PLACE OF MAIN REGISTRATION	CITY	COUNTRY	
DATE OF MAIN REGISTRATION	DD	MM	YYYY
VAT NUMBER			
OFFICIAL ADDRESS			
POSTCODE	P.O. BOX	CITY	
COUNTRY	PHONE		
E-MAIL			
DATE		STAMP	
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE			

① Public law body WITH LEGAL PERSONALITY, meaning a public entity being able to represent itself and act in its own name, i.e. being capable of suing or being sued, acquiring and disposing of property, entering into contracts. This legal status is confirmed by the official legal act establishing the entity (a law, a decree, etc.).

② National denomination and its translation in EN or FR if existing.

③ Registration number in the national register of the entity.

Public law entity

OFFICIAL NAME ^①				
BUSINESS NAME (if different)				
ABBREVIATION				
LEGAL FORM				
ORGANISATION TYPE		FOR PROFIT		
		NOT FOR PROFIT NGO ^② YES NO		
MAIN REGISTRATION NUMBER ^③				
SECONDARY REGISTRATION NUMBER (if applicable)				
PLACE OF MAIN REGISTRATION		CITY		COUNTRY
DATE OF MAIN REGISTRATION		DD MM YYYY		
VAT NUMBER				
ADDRESS OF HEAD OFFICE				
POSTCODE		P.O. BOX		CITY
COUNTRY		PHONE		
E-MAIL				
DATE		STAMP		
SIGNATURE OF AUTHORISED REPRESENTATIVE				

- ① National denomination and its translation in EN or FR if existing.
- ② NGO = Non Governmental Organisation, to be completed if NFPO is indicated.
- ③ Registration number in the national register of companies. See table with corresponding field denomination by country.

Financial identification form

<u>BANKING DETAILS</u>

ACCOUNT NAME ⁸	
IBAN/ACCOUNT NUMBER ⁹	
CURRENCY	
BIC/SWIFT CODE	
BANK NAME	

ADDRESS OF BANK BRANCH		
STREET & NUMBER		
TOWN/CITY	POST CODE	
COUNTRY		

<u>ACCOUNT HOLDER'S DATA</u> AS DECLARED TO THE BANK		
ACCOUNT HOLDER		
STREET & NUMBER		
TOWN/CITY	POST CODE	
COUNTRY		

SIGNATURE OF ACCOUNT HOLDER (Obligatory)	DATE (Obligatory)

⁸ This does not refer to the type of account. The account name is usually the one of the account holder. However, the account holder may have chosen a different name to its bank account.

⁹ Fill in the IBAN Code (International Bank Account Number) if it exists in the country where your bank is established.

Subcontractors

Name and legal form	Address / Registered office	Object

Declaration on honour – exclusion criteria

Hereby, I / we, acting as legal representative(s) of above-mentioned tenderer, declare that the tenderer does not find himself in one of the following situations :

1) The tenderer or one of its 'directors[1]' was found guilty following a conviction by final judgement for one of the following offences:

1° involvement in a criminal organisation

2° corruption

3° fraud

4° terrorist offences, offences linked related to terrorist activities or incitement to commit such offence, collusion or attempt to commit such an offence

5° money laundering or terrorist financing

6° child labour and other trafficking in human beings

7° employment of foreign citizens under illegal status

8° creating a shell company.

2) The counterparty which fails to fulfil his obligations relating to the payment of taxes or social security contributions for an amount in excess of EUR 3 000, except if the counterparty can demonstrate that a contracting authority owes him one or more unquestionable and due debts which are free of all foreseeable liabilities. These debts are at least of an amount equal to the one for which he is late in paying outstanding tax or social charges.

3) The counterparty who is in a state of bankruptcy, liquidation, cessation of activities, judicial reorganisation or has admitted bankruptcy or is the subject of a liquidation procedure or judicial reorganisation, or in any similar situation resulting from a procedure of the same kind existing under other national regulations;

4) When Enabel can demonstrate by any appropriate means that the counterparty or any of its directors has committed serious professional misconduct which calls into question his integrity.

Are also considered such serious professional misconduct:

a. A breach of Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse – June 2019

b. A breach of Enabel's Policy regarding fraud and corruption risk management – June 2019

c. A breach of a regulatory provision in applicable local legislation regarding sexual harassment in the workplace

d. The counterparty was seriously guilty of misrepresentation or false documents when providing the information required for verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the satisfaction of the selection criteria, or concealed this information

- e. Where Enabel has sufficient plausible evidence to conclude that the counterparty has committed acts, entered into agreements or entered into arrangements to distort competition

The presence of this counterparty on one of Enabel's exclusion lists as a result of such an act/agreement/arrangement is considered to be sufficiently plausible an element.

- 5) When a conflict of interest cannot be remedied by other, less intrusive measures;
6) When significant or persistent failures by the counterparty were detected during the execution of an essential obligation incumbent on him in the framework of a previous contract, a previous contract placed with another contracting authority, when these failures have given rise to measures as of right, damages or another comparable sanction.

Also failures to respect applicable obligations regarding environmental, social and labour rights, national law, labour agreements or international provisions on environmental, social and labour rights are considered 'significant'.

The presence of the counterparty on the exclusion list of Enabel because of such a failure serves as evidence.

- 7) Restrictive measures have been taken vis-à-vis the counterparty with a view of ending violations of international peace and security such as terrorism, human rights violations, the destabilisation of sovereign states and de proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

The counterparty or one of its directors are on the lists of persons, groups or entities submitted by the United Nations, the European Union and Belgium for financial sanctions:

For the United Nations, the lists can be consulted at the following address:

<https://finances.belgium.be/fr/tresorerie/sanctions-financieres/sanctionsinternationales-nations-unies>

For the European Union, the lists can be consulted at the following address:

<https://finances.belgium.be/fr/tresorerie/sanctions-financieres/sanctionseurop%C3%A9ennes-ue>

https://eeas.europa.eu/headquarters/headquarters-homepage/8442/consolidatedlist-sanctions_en https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/eeas/files/restrictive_measures-2017-01-17-clean.pdf For Belgium:

https://finances.belgium.be/fr/sur_le_spf/structure_et_services/administrations_generales/tr%C3%A9sorier/contr%C3%B4le-des-instruments-1-2

- 8) << If Enabel executes a project for another funder or donor, other grounds for exclusion may be added.

Integrity statement for the tenderers

Hereby, I / we, acting as legal representative(s) of above-mentioned tenderer, declare the following:

- Neither members of administration or employees, or any person or legal person with whom the tenderer has concluded an agreement in view of performing the public contract, may obtain or accept from a third party, for themselves or for any other person or legal person, an advantage appreciable in cash (for instance, gifts, bonuses or any other kind of benefits), directly or indirectly related to the activities of the person concerned for the account of Enabel.
- The board members, staff members or their partners have no financial or other interests in the businesses, organisations, etc. that have a direct or indirect link with Enabel (which could, for instance, bring about a conflict of interests).
- I have / we have read and understood the articles about deontology and anticorruption included in the Tender Documents (see 1.7.), as well as *Enabel's Policy regarding sexual exploitation and abuse* of June 2019 and *Enabel's Policy regarding fraud and corruption risk management* of June 2019 and I / we declare fully endorsing and respecting these articles.

If above-mentioned public contract is awarded to the tenderer, I/we declare, moreover, agreeing with the following provisions:

- In order to avoid any impression of risk of partiality or connivance in the follow-up and control of the performance of the public contract, it is strictly forbidden to the public contractor (i.e. members of the administration and workers) to offer, directly or indirectly, gifts, meals or any other material or immaterial advantage, of whatever value, to the employees of Enabel who are concerned, directly or indirectly, by the follow-up and/or control of the performance of the public contract, regardless of their hierarchical rank.
- Any (public) contract will be terminated, once it appears that contract awarding or contract performance would have involved the obtaining or the offering of the abovementioned advantages appreciable in cash.
- Any failure to comply with one or more of the deontological clauses will be considered as a serious professional misconduct which will lead to the exclusion of the contractor from this and other public contracts for Enabel.
- The public contractor commits to supply, upon the demand of the contracting authority, any supporting documents related to the performance conditions of the contract. The contracting authority will be allowed to proceed to any control, on paperwork or on site, which it considers necessary to collect evidence to support the presumption of unusual commercial expenditure.

Finally, the tenderer takes cognisance of the fact that Enabel reserves the right to lodge a complaint with the competent legal instances for all facts going against this statement and that all administrative and other costs resulting are borne by the tenderer.

Signature preceded by 'read and approved', in writing, and indication of name and function of the person signing:

Place, date

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Economic and financial capacity Form

Financial Statement

The tenderer must complete the following table of financial data based on his/her annual accounts.

Financial data	Year- 2 € or NC	Year- 1 € or NC	Last year € or NC	Average € or NC
Annual turnover, excluding this public contract ¹⁰				

The tenderer must also provide his/her approved financial statements for the last three financial years or an appropriate supporting document, such as a document listing all assets and liabilities of the enterprise. In case the enterprise has not yet published its Financial Statements, an interim balance certified true by an accountant or by a registered auditor or by the person or body with this function in the country concerned will do

¹⁰ Last accounting year for which the entity's accounts have been closed.

Technical and professional capacity form

List of main similar assignments

Description of the main similar assignments <u>totally</u> performed	In Uganda (min. 1)	Completion date in the last 3 years (only <u>totally</u> performed assignments)	Name of the public or private bodies

Certificates of completion

For each of the assignments listed, the tenderer must provide in the administrative proposal as annexes to this form the certificates of completion/acceptance (statement or certificate without major reservation) and / or any supporting documents (contracts, invoices...) approved by the entity which awarded the contract.

6.3.2 TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

The technical proposal may be presented in free format, but it shall not exceed ten pages, not counting the CVs.

*The tenderer must complete the **table hereunder**. He must provide in his offer the **CV's of the key experts (the team leader and experts) proposed** for implementing this services contract. The CV's (qualifications and experience of key experts) have to fulfil the profiles as requested in the ToRs. Each CV should be no longer than 3 pages.*

<i>Name of expert</i>	<i>Proposed position</i>	<i>Educational background – formal qualification</i>	<i>Years of experience with</i>	<i>Specialist areas of knowledge</i>
	<i>Coordinator / Team leader</i>			
	<i>Expert 1</i>			
	<i>Expert 2</i>			

6.3.3 FINANCIAL PROPOSAL

Tender Forms – prices

By submitting this tender the tenderer commits to performing this public contract in conformity with the provisions of the Tender Specifications/ – and explicitly declares accepting all conditions listed in the Tender Specifications and renounces any derogatory provisions such as his own general sales conditions.

The unit prices and the global prices for each item in the inventory are established relative to the value of these items in relation to the total value of the tender. All general and financial costs as well as the profits are distributed between the various items in proportion to their weight.

The value added tax is dealt with on a separate line in the summary bill of quantities or the inventory, to be added to the tender's value.

The tenderer commits to performing the public contract in accordance with the provisions of the Tender Specifications for the following prices, given in euros and exclusive of VAT:

Should this tender be approved, the performance bond will be constituted under the conditions and deadlines stipulated in the Tender Specifications.

The confidential information and/or the information relating to technical or business secrets is indicated clearly in the tender.

In order to correctly compare the tenders, the duly signed information or documents mentioned under Preparation of Tenders.

N°	Description	Unit	Fixed quantity	Unit Price exc. VAT*	Lump-sum unit prices exc. VAT*
1.	Consultancy services to undertake a study to determine the Unit cost of TVET in Uganda	Person-day(s)	70	€	€
Fixed total price					
VAT percentage (if applicable):					
Please note that this contract is subjected to Ugandan withholding tax. For national Contractors 6% is deducted at payment, for international Contractors 15% is deducted according to the withholding tax regulation of Uganda. * Cf. 5.4.1.2 “Elements included in the price”.					

Name and first name:

Duly authorised to sign this tender on behalf of:

Place and date:

Signature:

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