



OPEN INVITATION TO TENDER

AO/RPA/PLI-RCDCR/Financing vulnerable groups/014/11

**“Promoting adult learning for vulnerable groups in Europe:
Financing instruments and accompanying measures”**

REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION Nr. 1 (RS/PRO/CALU/2011/0786)

Participants to the call have requested the following clarifications:

Question 1 from the participant:

Within instructions it reads that the "Team leader should have a minimum of 5 years of professional experience in research project management". Does it imply that a 5 year experience as HEAD of a research team is demanded or it simply demands a 5 year experience as a senior researcher in a research project?

Cedefop clarification 1:

As per point 3.2 of the technical specifications, the **Team leader** should demonstrate a minimum of five (5) years of professional experience in research project **management** .

This means that the team leader should demonstrate the above required experience as Head /Leader of a research team.

Question 2 from the participant:

In which (and how many) countries should the quantitative survey be carried out? If we do not know which countries yet, how should we choose partners?

Cedefop clarification 2:

The number and choice of countries for the survey of beneficiaries (vulnerable groups) of financial instruments and accompanying measures will largely depend on the results of Assignment 1, as specified in point 2.3., a) of Assignment 2 of the technical specifications: "On the basis of the results of Assignment 1, suggest schemes and countries for conducting surveys among beneficiaries (vulnerable groups) of financial instruments and accompanying measures".

It is therefore up to the tenderer to demonstrate in his tender the capacity to identify and reach the beneficiaries (see point 5.1 of the Technical specifications, award criteria 2) while keeping in mind that the final selection of the countries for the survey of beneficiaries will be done upon completion of Assignment 1.

Question 3 from the participant:

Do you have any ideas of how to approach (3000) respondents? Due to data security we cannot expect organizations working with vulnerable groups to provide data (addresses, email or phone numbers).

Cedefop clarification 3:

It is up to the tenderer to demonstrate in his tender the most suitable ways and measures at his disposal despite any upcoming challenges in order to be able to approach the requested 3000 respondents.