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The application of learning outcomes approaches across Europe - a comparative overview

Request for Clarification (1) - Questions & Answers

Question No 1

As a grouping of two organisations coming together to submit a tender response it is clear that each consortium member must complete questionnaires 2 and 3 of Annex G. However, what is unclear is whether or not each individual consortium member needs to meet the minimum selection criteria or whether the consortium, as a whole, will be judged, in these aspects, as one: that is must each consortium member demonstrate the minimum level/depth/length of experience or is this for the consortium, as a whole, to show?

The same question applies to contracts performed in the past three (3) years in the field of policy analysis and/or comparative research in the field of education and training at European level: that is must each consortium member demonstrate the required minimum contract value (i.e. invoiced financial value) of 250,000 €? Or is this for the consortium, as a whole, to show?

Cedefop's answer to question No 1

As indicated in point 3.2.1-Economic and Financial capacity "In case of a consortium (grouping) or subcontracting each member of the consortium and all sub-contractors (in line with points 4.1 or 4.2) must provide the required statement for the economic and financial capacity, but the assessment of whether the minimum requirement is met will bear on the consortium as a whole or the tenderer together with his subcontractors." That means that as a grouping of 2 organisations you have to prove the required min. of 500,000 Euro as a whole (i.e. the 2 organisations may have a turnover of 250,000 each and in total 500,000 Euro).

In point 3.2.2, last paragraph it is indicated that "In the case of consortium or subcontracting, the consortium or the tenderer with all subcontractors together have to provide evidence of technical and professional capacity as a whole (please see also 4.1 and/or 4.2)". Thus the answer to your question about Questionnaire 3, is that the consortium as a whole (in your case the 2 organisations together) must show the required evidence of 250,000 Euro invoiced financial value.

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