

**OPEN INVITATION TO TENDER****AO/DLE/RCDRCR_LRUST/Mobility_in_Apprenticeships/007/18****'Long-term cross-country mobility in apprenticeships'****Request for Clarification (3) – Questions & Answers**

Question No 1

Our organisation is a global corporate entity, comprising a number of associate entities. Please confirm that associate entities are not considered subcontractors for the purposes completing Annex G Questions 1-3.

Cedefop's answer to question No 1

Subcontracting is defined as the situation where a tenderer, in order to carry out a contract, enters into legal commitments with other entities for performing parts of the contract. Joint offers (consortia) is defined as the situation where a tender is submitted by several legal entities, regardless of the link they may have between them. For more information please check points 4.1 and 4.2 of the procurement documents.

So it is up to the tenderer to decide, depending on the legal link between the global corporate entity and the associate entities, if the tender submitted should fall under subcontracting or consortia cases.