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Tender: EIGE/2014/OPER/07
Development of the interface of EIGE's database on gender statistics

Subject: Answers to requests for clarifications regarding the Tender

Dear Sir/ Madam,

From a potential tenderer we received questions that might be of general interest.
Please find herewith the answer to these questions.

Sincerely yours,

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EIGE/2014/OPER/07. Questions & Answers No: 2

Question 1:

Regarding requirement U.3:

What is the exact functionality expected of the data tables? In particular, will static tables be sufficient, or will you require customizable pivot tables allowing the user to select and rearrange the dimensions displayed, as in Eurostat's database (for example, http://appsso.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/nui/show.do?dataset=lfsa_egan)?

Answer 1:

Requirement U.3, page 9 of the technical specifications, considers the functionality for users of EIGE's database on gender statistics to obtain customizable pivot tables by selecting and arranging dimensions such as Eurostat's database (http://appsso.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/nui/show.do?dataset=lfsa_egan).

Question 2:

Regarding the requirements for the "Senior database expert":

Answer 2:

The tenderers are expected to follow the requirements to the profile as they are specified in the tender documents.

Question 3:

Regarding requirement U.13:

Forming data in RDF or JSON format does not obligate to provide search functionality, but SPARQL server does exactly that. Is SPARQL server a mandatory requirement?

Answer 3:

The requirement U.13 covers the case when the user of the system is a machine (external service). The implementation of U.13 should ensure that data are transmitted in an open format (e.g. RDF or JSON) and that data can be retrieved and processed. The implementation of SPARQL or an equivalent service is mandatory.

Question 4:

Regarding additional team members:

Would it be advantageous if, in addition to the required team members, the Tenderer's team also included an expert (...), so as to enable the Tenderer to make better choices regarding (...)?

Answer 4:

Please refer to paragraph “1.9 Project Team” of the Tender Specifications: “The team must have members with the following professional profiles of professionals and may include further members if needed.”

Question 5:

Regarding the requirement that “the interface of all datasets presented in EIGE’s website shall reflect the “Open Data” principles” (Tender Specifications p.8):

Seeing as the link in Footnote 11 does not explicitly specify the required “Open Data” principles, could EIGE list these principles or point to an external source that does so?

Answer 5:

A list of “Open Data” principles is available here <http://linkeddatatool.com/editions/1.0/#htoc8>. The detailed implementation of these principles will be decided upon in the course of the project.

Question 6:

Regarding requirement B.6:

By requiring “a clear indication to the users on where they are and where they can go in the Information Architecture of the website”, is EIGE referring to a **sitemap**, a **breadcrumb** feature, or an entirely different solution? Furthermore, seeing as the same dataset may be accessed via different paths through the theme-subtheme structure, does the breadcrumb (if desired) need to display path information (how the user got to the current point) or something else?

Answer 6

The tenderers are invited to describe how they will address the requirements of the Tender Specifications, including requirement B.6.

