C L A R I F I C A T I O N S No. 3

Procurement of:

Furniture for Schools in Montenegro

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**1/ Question:**

Under point 3.1 Qualification Criteria (ITB 37.1) in part (iii) Technical Capacity second requirements Purchaser demand next:

The Bidder has to possess the following certificates:

• ISO 9001:2015 Quality management systems

• ISO 14001:2015 Environmental management systems

• ISO 45001:2018 Occupational health and safety management systems or equivalent ones, which have been issued by relevant Authorized Institution.

If the bidder is a Joint Venture, each member of the Joint Venture must fulfil the certification requirements individually.

Can Purchaser change this last sentence-demand into:

``In the case that Bidder is Joint Venture, all members combined must meet this requirement. `` what is demand for previous requirement about reference at least 4.950.000 Euros in last 5 years.

Also, such a statement: ``In the case that Bidder is Joint Venture, all members combined must meet this requirement. `` is in accordance with the spirit of the JV, because JV are formed in order to use the combined technical capacities of the consortium members.

**1/ Answer:**

With the reference to the Tender Dossier, paragraph: 3.1 Qualification Criteria (ITB 37.1), point:(iii) Technical Capacity, we confirm that: “If the bidder is a Joint Venture, each member of the Joint Venture must fulfil the certification requirements individually.”

Given that the required ISO standards are an established part of the procedure, confirming that the organization meets standardization requirements promoting good practice without imposing additional burdens, each member of the JV must fulfil the certification requirements individually. This requirement does not limit competition.