

# The Proposal Template: Hints & Tips

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 This presentation is just to help understand, in a simplified manner, some of the key elements associated with the template for this call.

• Proposal templates can vary; however, some main elements are provided in this presentation to serve as an example and guidance. Do not copy any part of the examples given.



Please ensure that your Proposal is compliant with the requirements contained in the specific CfP documentation!

# **Proposal Template (hints and tips)**



During this presentation we will draw your attention to **common mistakes** and oversights in proposals. It is not a prescriptive 'do it like this' list and the material must be sensibly applied to your particular case.

There is no substitute for **a good idea**. This presentation will only help you to present your idea in a way it can be **understood by reviewers**.

Please ensure that your Proposal is compliant with the CfP conditions of tender and cover letter – each CfP can be different. Do not use a previous template from any other CfP.

#### Remember:

- ESA is only allowed to evaluate what is in the 40 pages of the proposal do not assume that the reviewers have "your common knowledge" or that "it is commonly known". We cannot evaluate intentions, "read in-between-the-lines" or guess what you mean. We are only allowed, outside of the proposal, to consult ESA-STAR or other ESA internal information.
- The TEB members have to read typically 20+ proposals in total per TEB the easier you make it for them to read and understand, the better for both them and you.





# **Proposal Template – Common Mistakes**





#### **VERY BRIEF summary of SOME of the most common mistakes seen:**

### 1

### CHECK YOUR PROPOSAL AGAINST THIS LIST!

#### Criteria 1 - Background

1. Missing experience or facilities – no information on relevant work done by the company, no or poor relevant CVs for the key personnel, no (or poor) information on facilities and/or having no plan to acquire it.

#### Criteria 2 - Technical proposal

- 1. Objectives difficult to understand or not clearly stated.
- 2. Noncompliance to requirements (esp. weight, volume) or the activity description (esp. key tasks and deliverables)
- 3. Poor or missing engineering approach (e.g. baseline concept not described, missing reviews or checks, lack of key testing or validation).
- 4. Poor or inadequate programme of work (e.g. missing design or development steps) and inconsistency between text, flowchart, WBS, WPD and GANTT.
- 5. Poor WPD (e.g. insufficient detail to understand the full scope of the work, no clear responsibilities, inputs and outputs of each WPD).
- 6. Poor WBS (e.g. spaghetti WBS and flowchart, too many/few WP, WP with tasks for more than one entity).

#### Criteria 3 - Impact

- 1. No clear benefit for Education of Science
- 2. No justification for space conditions



# **Proposal Template – Common Mistakes**





#### Criteria 4: Management, planning, costing parts

- 1. Poor management plan (e.g. missing how you will monitor the timely implementation of the activity, subcontractor control, including a steering group or management 'team' instead of a Project Manager).
- 2. Poor planning (e.g. insufficient detail, no dependencies, too much in parallel, not matching scope of WPD).
- 3. Non-credible costing (e.g. hours not corresponding to described scope work in WPD, procurement of inappropriate items, excessive travel costs, price = max. available envelope, procured items not detailed or justified). The goal is fair costing w.r.t. entities standard cost structure!
- 4. Poor definition of deliverables (e.g. missing deliverables, not covering the full scope of work, deliverables not matching WPD outputs).
- 5. High (>10%) / very low (<5%) management hours w.r.t. total hours.
- 6. Inconsistency between PSS forms and proposal (costed travels not in meeting plan, facilities/service costed for but not mentioned in proposal).

#### Criteria 4: Compliance with administrative tender conditions

- 1. Some of the documents not signed or missing (e.g. Cover Letter, PSS Forms).
- 2. Non-compliance with tender conditions (e.g. Introducing changes to the Proposal Template or exceeding the maximum number of pages).
- 3. Disagreeing with the Draft Contract (that you accepted by signing the Cover Letter).
- 4. Leaving incomplete part of the essential information (e.g. milestone payments, deliverables, leaving empty the IPR section, management plan section or any other section please fill it: if it is the case say that it does not apply and why).

### **Proposal Template – Common Mistakes - ChatGPT**





### ChatGPT on the perils of using ChatGPT for technical proposals... (with which we fully concur)!

"The heedless deployment of ChatGPT for the composition of exalted formal technical proposals serves as a prelude to a veritable Shakespearean tragedy, replete with a tempest of perilous pitfalls and woeful repercussions.

Behold, the core sin of ChatGPT, for it is but a mere conduit of algorithmic patterns, bereft of the profound wellspring of domain-specific knowledge and contextual acuity so profoundly requisite for the meticulous construction of precise and accurate technical proposals. This lamentable inadequacy begets a pandemonium of inaccuracies, shrouded in the mists of misunderstanding, and plagued by a dearth of technical erudition within the composition. Furthermore, ChatGPT, like a capricious maven of linguistic arts, flirts with the peril of inadvertently infusing biases and inappropriate lexicons into the sacred tapestry of the proposal, thus casting a long shadow upon its professionalism and moral rectitude. Deprived of the faculties to engage in the noble art of rigorous inquiry and the verification of information veracity, ChatGPT's creation may verily descend into a labyrinthine netherworld, a nightmarish domain of erroneous data and references, heretical to the gods of intellectual integrity.

The over-reliance upon ChatGPT for such august undertakings may be likened to a tragic fall from grace, wherein the quality, reliability, and probity of the document shall be irreparably besmirched, and it shall be consigned to the annals of ineffectuality, unfit for the discerning gaze of noble professional and technical audiences. Hence, it is paramount to wield ChatGPT as a humble tool, an adjunct to human sagacity, and to accompany its output with the indomitable vigilance of human scrutiny, for to do otherwise would be to court calamity and ignite the flames of intellectual hubris."

# **Proposal Template – Cover Letter**





#### The Cover Letter contains details on:

- The Title
- The team submitting the proposal
- The Cost of the proposal
- The **Duration** of the proposal
- Who the point of contact is
- The Acceptance of contract conditions
- The Statement concerning export restrictions
- The Statement on free competition
- The Legal representative
- The Validity of the proposal



### Remember

By signing the Cover Letter you are accepting the contract conditions – so do not, in the Proposal, state that you want to modify them.



The Cover Letter MUST be signed!



### **Proposal Template – Title**





### **Hints & Tips: The Title**

ESA will review many proposals under this Call. To aid reviewers, pay attention to the title of your Proposal.

It should prepare them for what they are about to read and clearly identify your Proposal:

- Keep it short
- Keep it clear
- Make it descriptive and relevant
- Do not waste time to think up overly long titles or try to force acronyms for the project.

#### **Examples**

- Simple and concise but OK: "Increasing coffee sales by responding to customer demands"
- Overly long and unnecessarily complex: "Investigating and testing various methods of maximising financial revenue and fiscal returns resulting from bean derived hot beverages sales in a customer focused environment using direct market feedback and other methods."
- Trying too hard for an acronym: "Cash maximising Objectives for increased Financial and Fiscal returns in a European Environment for HOt Beverages Sales (COFFEE HOBS)"







- 1.1 Activity/Experiment Overview1.2 Activity/Experiment Concept
- 1.3 Requirements Specifications
- 1.4 Constraints
- 1.5 Activity TBD / TBC Matrix
- 1.6 Experiment Outputs
- 1.7 Comments and Special Requirements
- 1.8 Payload/Experiment Requirements
- 1.9 Payload/Experiment Design and Implementation Aspects
- 1.10 Potential Problem Areas/Technical and non-Technical Risks
- 1.11 Public Interest / Outreach Plan
- 1.12 Technical Implementation / Programme of Work
- 1.13 Technical Reservations / Technical Compliance





### 1.1 Activity/Experiment Overview

- Provide the background and rationale of what you are proposing to do.
- Keep it succinct but clear enough to provide sufficient context for your development.
- Includes:
  - Activity objective (not more than ½ page)
  - Justification for the need of space conditions
  - Earth and Space benefits
  - Activity/experiments objectives (more detailed objectives in order of importance)
  - Expected results
  - Previous activities / experiments (if applicable)







### **Activity Objectives**

The Objective is what you hope to achieve with the Proposal (i.e. the end goal) and the key constraints or conditions under which that should be met. This is sometimes called the mission goal in texts. In theory, everything you propose to do should be derivable from this statement

#### **Objectives should:**

- 1. Be **short** (1 to 3 sentences)
- 2. Be clear and verifiable
- 3. Contain the **core essence** of what should be achieved

#### **Objectives should not:**

- 1. Describe the work to be done, the workflow or how to do it
- 2. Describe the nice to haves/options
- 3. Be overly long and descriptive

"...this nation should commit itself to achieving the goal, before this decade is out, of landing a man on the Moon and returning him safely to Earth"

- this was the objective stated for a 24-Billion-dollar project.

In the Proposal you should justify **WHY** this is a good objective and how it fits Education / Scientific goals!







### 1.2 Activity / Experiments Concept

#### 1.2.1 Operational overview

Explain how the required data will be collected, provide pictures of hardware or experiment set-up planned for this Activity/Experiment (if already available).

#### 1.2.2 Functional objectives

Provide the Activity/Experiment protocol information as far as this is already known, particularly a chronological sequence of activities, formulated as Functional Objectives (FO's) over the lifespan of the Activity/Experiment.

Note: these FO's will be translated into operational requirements in Section 1.3.2.

#### 1.2.3 Parameters measured

List all parameters which are measured by the Activity/Experiment and which are required for successful data analysis, including those that derive from the ISS or its environment.





### 1.3 Requirements Specifications

1.3.1 Activity/Experiment hardware requirements

#### 1.3.2 Activity/Experiment operational requirements

- 1.3.2.1 Baseline Data Collection Requirements (BDC)
- 1.3.2.2 In-flight Session Requirements (IFS)
- 1.3.2.3 Requirements for Ground Reference Activities (GRA)
- 1.3.2.4 Upload requirements (UL)
- 1.3.2.5 Download requirements (DL)
- 1.3.2.6 Cold Stowage on-board requirements (CS)
- 1.3.2.7 On-Orbit Runs/Crew Test Subjects or Experiment Runs
- 1.3.2.8 Duration requirements of chronological on-orbit activities (DR)
- 1.3.2.9 Timeframe Requirement







1.3.2.10	On-Orbit Accommodation Requirements (OOAR)
1.3.2.11	Interface and Resource Requirements (IRR)
1.3.2.12	Spares requirements (SP)
1.3.2.13	Payload Data downlink requirements
1.3.2.14	Payload Command uplink requirements
1.3.2.15	IP communications
1.3.2.16	Data storage requirements
1.3.2.17	Imagery (IMA)
1.3.2.18	End of Life Scenario





#### 1.4 Constraints

- 1.4.1 Scheduling Constraints (SCH)
- 1.4.2 Session Constraints (SES)

#### 1.5 ACTIVITY TBD/ TBC MATRIX

- 1.6 EXPERIMENT OUTPUTS
- 1.6.1 Activity/Experiment Deliverables (from ESA to the Activity/Experiment Team)
- 1.6.2 Pass / Fail criteria
- 1.6.3 Data sharing policy
- 1.6.4 Deliverables (from the Science Team to ESA)





### 1.7 COMMENTS AND SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS (OTR)

#### 1.8 PAYLOAD/EXPERIMENT REQUIREMENTS

[Identify and discuss the technical requirements applicable to the Payload/Experiment to be able to achieve the specific objectives and requirements for the Activity/Experiment, as outlined in previous sections. The requirements shall be associated to a quantitative value whenever is possible. The verification approach for each requirement shall be identified. Provide a justification / reasoning for such requirements]

#### 1.9 PAYLOAD/EXPERIMENT DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION ASPECTS

[Present a first iteration of the baseline design or concept for the Payload/Experiment and discuss the trade-offs that need to be taken into account. In this section, the bidder is to show the overall logic of the work being proposed including any key review(s) and decision points. Discuss how the work performed will be validated (e.g. test plan and test approach) and how achievement of the objectives will be proven/ demonstrated]





Present a first iteration of the baseline design or concept (diagram)!

#### Have you answered these questions?

- What is your baseline design/ concept?
- HOW will the work be done? What METHODOLOGIES will be used, what key ANALYSES and SIMULATIONS will be done?
- What is minimum TESTING and VERIFICATION that will be done?
- Is the SCOPE and 'depth' of work sufficiently clear?



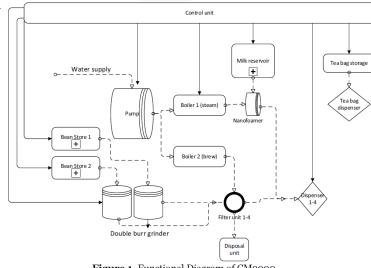


Figure 1. Functional Diagram of CM2000

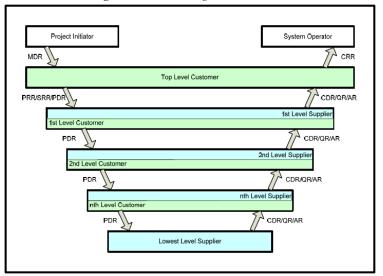


Figure 4-4: Review life cycle





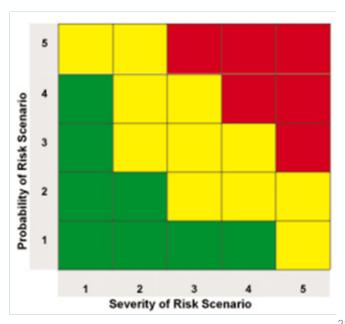
#### 1.10 POTENTIAL PROBLEM AREAS/TECHNICAL AND NON-TECHNICAL RISKS

The problem areas and risks discussions are intended to cover primarily TECHNICAL (and PROGRAMMATIC where there is a key dependency/ timeliness issue), problem areas and risks that may arise DURING the work and cannot be pre-emptively resolved prior to the start of work.

Correct identification of risks and potential problems **shows you understand** the work you are proposing and can manage it properly.

# Discussion of risks and problems should include a mitigation and prevention actions:

- What is the potential impact if the problem/risk arises?
- Prevention: What actions will you take to minimise the risk of it becoming a reality?
- **Mitigation:** What will you do if the worst case happens, how will you ensure the project can continue (can it?)?
- Provide details to show those mitigating actions are credible and feasible.
- DO NOT focus on manpower issue, management issues
- **DO** include technical issues, risks and problems
- DO include planning issues related to critical path items







#### 1.11 PUBLIC INTEREST/OUTREACH PLAN

Discuss the impact and relevance of the proposed activity/experiment for the general public, in particular in CZ.

Discuss the impact and relevance of the proposed activity in promoting Czech international reputation.

Develop the education and communication/outreach plans that the bidder will implement in parallel to the activity.

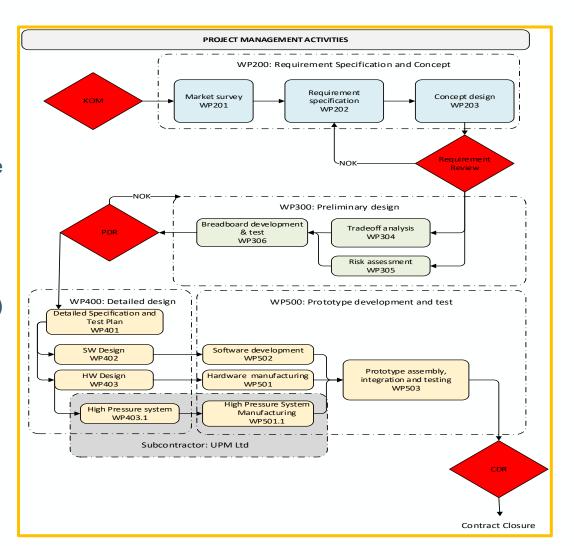




# 1.12 TECHNICAL IMPLEMENTATION / PROGRAMME OF WORK

#### 1.12.1 Proposed Work Logic

- Include the **reviews** and decision points (check points). Shall be compliant with Activity Description
- Consistency with WBS (and easy traceability)
- Parallel/serial consistency is logical (consistent with Gantt chart)
- Subcontractor work is clear
- Dependencies are clear







### 1.12.2 Contents of the proposed work

1.12.2.1 Work Breakdown Structure ("WBS")

- Logically structure the main Work Packages following the main tasks of the workflow (preferably 'gated' by reviews)
- Work logic is shall 'gated' by technical/engineering reviews in line with the Activity Description
  - System Requirements Review (SRR), Manufacturing Readiness Review (MRR) and Qualification and Acceptance Review (QAR). These typically are aligned with payment milestones.
- Include WP for management
- Ensure each company has separate (sub)work packages
- Ensure all tasks in one work package 'belong together'



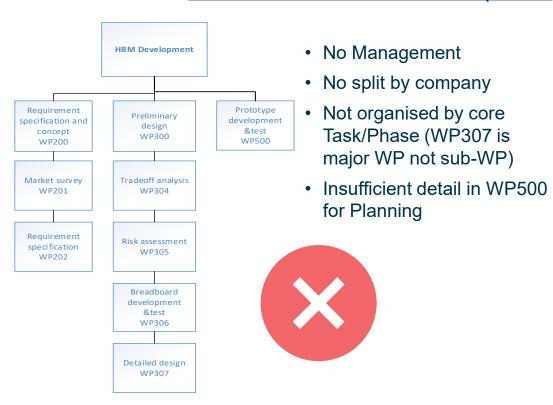
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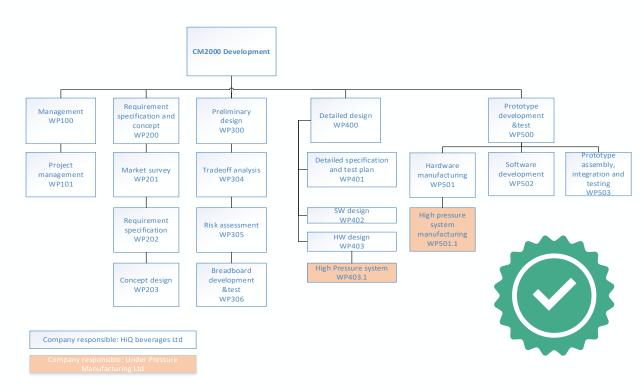




### 1.12.2 Contents of the proposed work

#### 1.12.2.1 Work Breakdown Structure ("WBS")





- ✓ Management is partly clear w.r.t. entities, but work package leaders aren't shown and require cross referencing
- Clear split by company and management of subcontractor is implied.
   Color coding by company/entity is good
- ✓ WP400 is significant with necessary subordinate WPs
- ✓ WP500 Subordinate WPs give fair indications core tasks & credible planning





### 1.12.2 Contents of the proposed work

1.12.2.2 Work Package Description ("WPD")

- The WPDs form the **detailed description** of the work that will be performed
- They scope the work and the deliverables
- They allow a basis for the costing
- They **discriminate the work** and responsibilities of the different companies/entities

Note that the ECSS propose a standard template for a WBS and WPD (for the WPD the ESA PSS A20 form can be used)



This section should be coherent with the earlier sections of the Proposal!







The outputs to the Work Package Descriptions shall be included in the List of Deliverables!

### **BAD EXAMPLE**

PROJECT: CM2000 Development	PHASE: 1	WP: 200
WP Title: Requirement Specification	Sheet 1 of 1	
WP Manager: Mr. Bean		
Start Event: KOM End Event: End of project	Planned Date: 1st April 2018 Planned Date: 1st April 2019	
Tasks:      Do market survey     Write Requirement Specification		
Outputs: Technical Note		

- Too high level
- Too open to interpretation
- Scope undefined
- Deliverable undefined

- Company missing
- No inputs
- Actual dates used
- Not linked to planning (events)

### **GOOD EXAMPLE**

WP Title: Market Survey  Company: HiQ Beverages Ltd WP Manager: Mr. Bean  Start Event: KOM Planned Date: T0 End Event: RR Planned Date: T0+3  Inputs:  SoW Approved proposal KOM Minutes of Meeting AD1 RD1  Tasks: Perform a survey of all current HBMs available on market Compare key requirements and capabilities Compare key performance indicators (efficiency, lifetime, reliability) Compare and analyse cost (unit cost, running cost) Identify and analyse customer requirements (coffee provider)  Assess the current annual demand for hot beverages in Europe Perform trend analysis for hot beverage demand in Europe Identify most popular hot beverages and key end-user requirements Collect and analyse new and emerging requirements for popular hot beverages Assess the potential future market for any evolving requirements	PROJECT: CM2000 Development	PHASE: 1	WP: 201
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#### 11.13 TECHNICAL RESERVATIONS – TECHNICAL COMPLIANCE

Compliance to the technical requirements applicable to the CfP (set in Cover Letter/STC/SoW) shall be assessed in this section, in particular related to payload/experiment weight, volume and experimentation time.





# **Proposal Template: Part 2 – Management**



- 2.1 Team Organisation and Personnel
- 2.2 Curricula Vitae
- 2.3 Management of Subcontractor(s)
- 2.4 Planning
- 2.5 Deliverable Items





### 2.1 TEAM ORGANISATION, PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES

#### 2.1.1 Background and experience

We are only interested in RELEVANT background and experience.

#### **Coffee Example:**

- 1. Directly **relevant** experience for a Coffee maker:
  Having made coffee before for themselves or having made multiple types of coffee in a café.
- 2. Partially relevant experience for a Coffee maker: Having made other (non-coffee) hot beverages, having worked in a café where coffee was made, but not actually making the coffee.
- 3. Non-relevant experience for a Coffee maker: Cleaning the café, playing football, driving a car.
- Do not waste space in the Proposal with non-relevant experience.
- Relevant patents, papers or publications could be included in Annex(es).
- If the people or proposed team is missing key background, experience or knowledge identify this yourself and explain how you will get it.







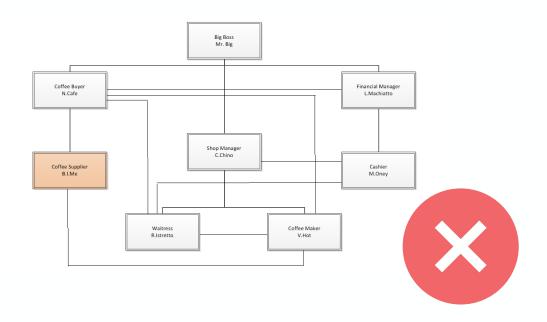
- 2.1.2 <u>Overall team composition,</u> organisation and management
- Provide an **organigram** that describes the overall team composition,
- Include participants from all **subcontractors**, if any
- Include identification of the nominated Project Manager and Contractual Manager, both should usually belong to the organisation of the Prime Contractor.
- Lines of communication and reporting, and means for settling disagreements.
- Include all **key** (i.e. having a major role within the team and/or being responsible for one or more WPs) personnel.

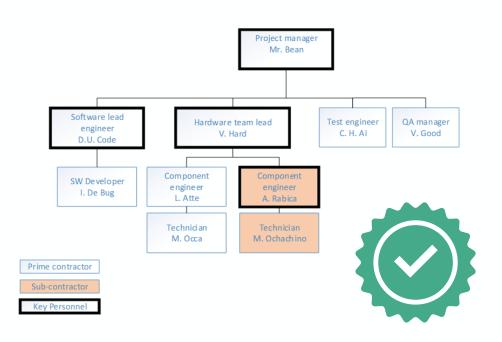






- Each subcontractor should have 1 formal contact point
- NO steering committees in ESA contracts Project Manager (in discussion with ESA) is responsible for the direction, quality of work, decisions and timeliness.









#### 2.1.3 Facilities

Facilities are the things needed in order to complete the work proposed.

You need to identify what you need for the proposed work and whether you have it, or how you gain access to it.

#### **Example Facilities**

- 1. Test equipment
- 2. Specialist design and analysis software
- 3. Specialist computing facilities
- 4. Specialist manufacturing facilities

#### Examples of things **NOT** considered Facilities:

- 1. Your building and address
- 2. Your car park
- 3. Your desks and office furniture
- 4. Standard computers, office s/w and printers







### 2.1.4 Key personnel

A Key Personnel is someone playing a **leading role** in the activity OR providing **irreplaceable** experience and expertise.

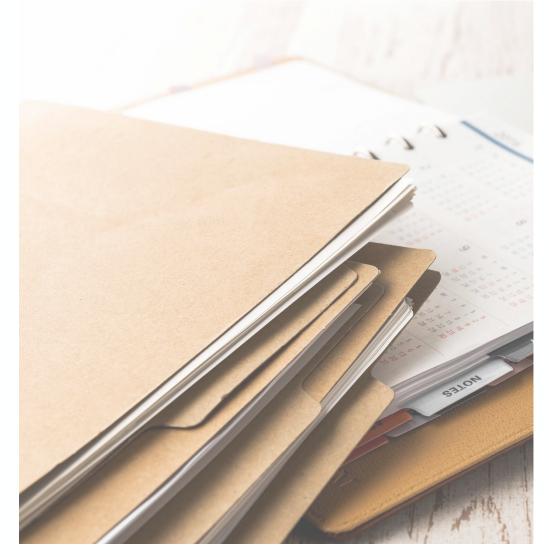
- 1. Anyone contributing <10% of their time is being used very inefficiently and is by definition not playing a leading role (unless due to unique expertise).
- 2. If someone is claimed to be a Key Personnel because they have irreplaceable experience and expertise **explain the role** they play, what this is and how it will be exploited.
- 3. High numbers of claimed Key Personnel does not make the Proposal any better. Demonstrated good and **effective use of people** with the right background and with clear roles is better.
- 4. The percentage of the working time that each Key Personnel will dedicate to each Work Package (WP) shall be given. For the management task, if the consortium is not large, the percentage should not be higher than ~10%.





### **Curricula Vitae**

- One summary resume per key person
- Include:
  - Role
  - Relevant experience
  - Very summarised version of other experience
- CVs (of Key Personnel) shall not be attached to the Proposal but shall be submitted separately in the dedicated Curriculum Vitae folder in esa-star.



# **Proposal Template: Part 2 – Management**





#### 2.1.5 Meeting and Travel Plan

Should be **consistent** with the cost given in **PSS A2**, **Exhibit B** and shall include not only meetings with the Agency but also meetings with sub-contractors involving travel, **field trips**, travels to test houses.

- All meetings with ESA (e.g. progress meetings note these may be via telecon)
- All reviews, both internal and with ESA (e.g. Requirements Reviews, Design Review, Test Readiness...)
- All meetings with sub-contractors or potential customers (e.g. progress meetings, working meetings, requirement definition meetings)
- All travels to facilities (e.g. Test houses, Ground truth measurement areas)
- Final Presentation (at ESA premises)

#### **NOT** to include:

- Any meeting or travel not DIRECTLY needed for progression of the activity (e.g. conferences, promotional activities...)
- Ad-hoc meetings to resolve problems (e.g. supply problems)





#### 2.2 Planning

#### 2.2.1 Proposed schedule and milestones

Synthetic summary of duration, planning assumptions (e.g. envisaged starting date, holidays, etc.), meetings/videoconferences and major technical milestones. Identifying and explain **key planning drivers** and dependencies.

#### 2.2.2 Bar chart

The GANTT chart shows you can organise your work, provides a tool to monitor the work, to communicate key dates and to **show what drives the schedule**. It shows you understand the work involved in what you are proposing.

#### Some tips for GANTT charts:

- 1. It should link clearly to WBS and Flow Chart
- 2. It should show milestones, reviews and **key** deliverables
- 3. It should show the **key** dependencies between tasks
- 4. Include to a 'sensible' level (not too much, not too little) ask can you monitor progress?
- 5. Is there a critical path? Is it shown and discussed?







#### **Bad GANTT chart**

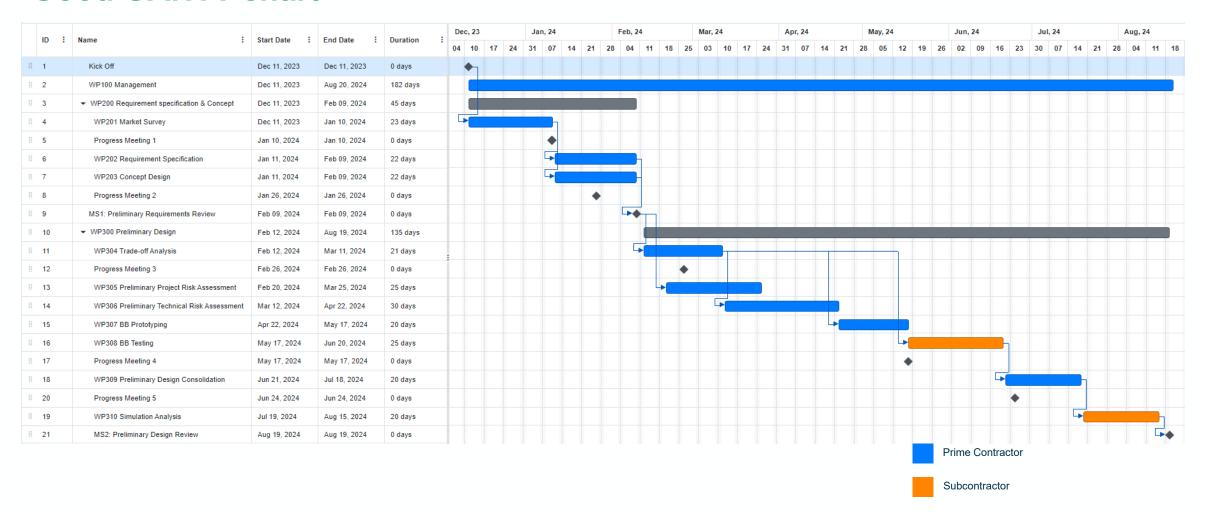
Not done in a project management tool giving little confidence in the PM experience of the bidder!







#### **Good GANTT chart**







# 2.3 LIST OF DELIVERABLE ITEMS – SPECIFICATION OF ANY NON-CONFORMANCE

#### 2.3.1 Deliverable Items

The List of Deliverable Items shall be grouped in **Documentation**, **Hardware** and **Software** and shall include sufficient **explanation** to unambiguously represent the **scope** of the deliverable.

#### For the Documentation:

- Ensure there is a clear description of each deliverable to avoid later discussion!
- Ensure consistency with WPDs!



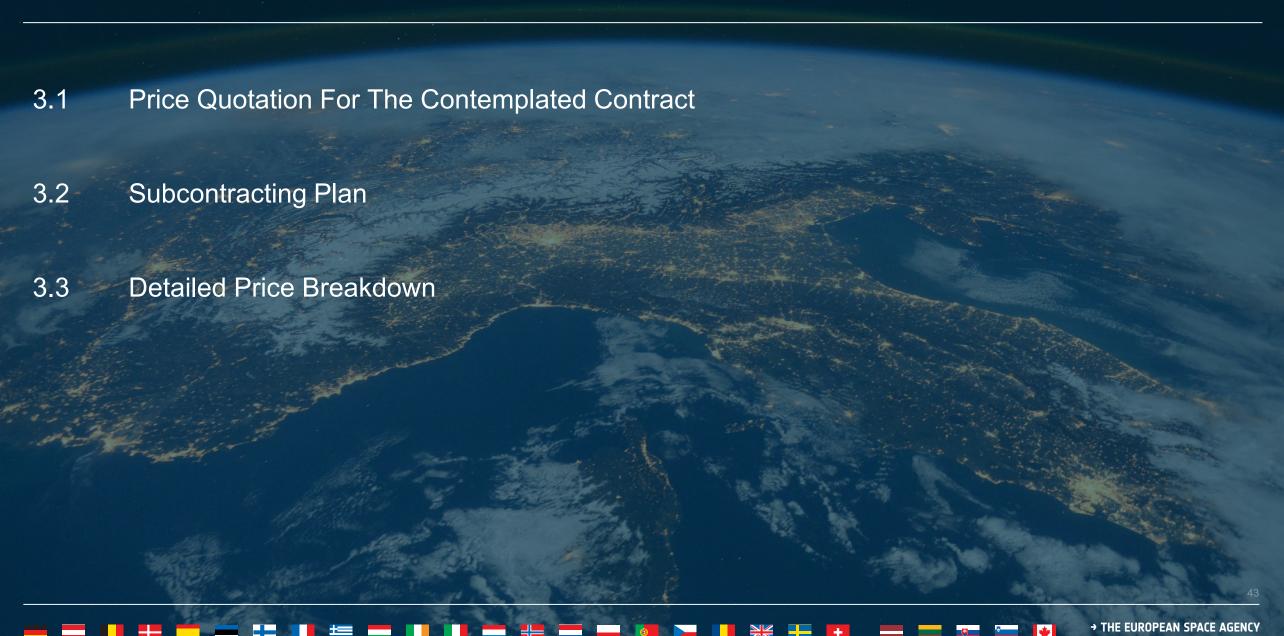
#### 2.4 MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLIANCE MATRIX

Compliance to the management requirements applicable to the CfP (set in Cover Letter/STC/SoW) shall be assessed in this section, in particular related to payload/experiment delivery schedule.













#### 3.1 Price Quotation For The Contemplated Contract

[Enter here the total amount quoted as a Firm Fixed Price (FFP), in Euro without cents, delivery duty paid, exclusive of import duties and value added taxes in ESA Member States, etc., in pursuance of the pricing conditions fixed in the "Draft Contract" included in the CfP]

#### Remarks concerning certain price elements:

a) Charging of royalties and licence fees

ESA will only accept to pay royalties or licence fees on the condition that they are:

- clearly identified in the Proposal, with the financial basis for their calculation, method of application and total amount, and
- demonstrated to be of direct and necessary benefit to the work to be performed (thus not merely the consequence of a general agreement or commitment to a Third Party), and
- applied only to that part of the effort to be performed by a Contractor or subcontractor that is directly related to the subject matter of the licence or royalty agreement.





#### 3.1 Price Quotation For The Contemplated Contract

#### Remarks concerning certain price elements:

#### b) Quotations free of taxes and custom duties:

Prices shall be quoted free of any value added taxes (VAT) and import duties in the Agency's Member States. Please note that subcontractor are not VAT exempt. In this connection you shall pay attention to the provisions stated in Article 3 of the Draft Contract (Appendix 1 to the CfP). In case you consider that you and/or your subcontractor(s) will remain subject to payment of taxes or custom duties, you shall indicate separately the applicable rates, the corresponding estimated amounts, and the reason why exemption from such taxes or duties cannot be obtained.

#### c) Currency and conversion rate:

For any Tenderer or proposed subcontractor located in countries outside of the Euro zone, the exchange rate used to quote their prices in Euro shall be indicated by the company (or institute) in its costing form PSS-A2. Any other factors (such as hedging costs, forward buying rates) used for the purpose of the calculations shall also be indicated].





**Hints & Tips: Price Quotation** 

1. The price of the Contract will be a Firm Fixed Price without VAT.

The EU provides International Organisations the privilege to be exempted from VAT for intra-community transactions. ESA, as an International Organisation, is classified as <u>non-taxable</u>. ESA applies this privilege by issuing a VAT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE for its contract. ESA does therefore not have an EU VAT-ID number.

#### The VAT Exemption certificate will be provided with the contract.

- The Prime Contractor is the only one receiving the VAT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE as it is the supplier in direct contractual relationship with ESA. It is the Prime Contractor to invoice ESA directly.
- Subcontractors will not receive the VAT EXEMPTION CERTIFICATE as they do not stand in a direct contractual relationship with ESA; they are paid by the Prime.





#### **Hints & Tips: Price Quotation**

- 2. The **price** of the proposed activity must be **transparent**, **clear and credible**.
  - ✓ **TRANSPARENT:** Where does the money go? (e.g. the cost structure, hardware etc.)
  - ✓ **CLEAR:** Level of details is important PSS forms
  - ✓ **CREDIBLE:** Are the cost credible to achieve the objectives of the proposed activity?
  - After the contract is signed by both party, ESA does not require financial reporting on the evolution of the spending.
  - All financial details are set in the Proposal & at negotiation. The Proposal and the minutes of meeting will be part of "the rules of the game" together with the Contract for the all duration of the contract.
  - The maximum ceiling for a proposal (4Meur) it is **NOT** a goal. Price must be fair and reasonable for the scope of work described in the Proposal.





#### 3.2 Subcontracting Plan

[Indicate here with more details than in the Cover Letter, for the proposed subcontract(s), if any, the name of the Subcontractor(s), the country to which the Subcontractor(s) belong(s), the task(s) assigned (with reference to section 1.3.2 of the "Technical Part"), the place of execution of the subcontracted work as well as the corresponding part and percentage of the total price for the Contract.]





#### 3.2 Detailed Price Breakdown

#### 3.2.1 <u>Procedures Specifications and Standards (PSS) costing forms</u>

[On the basis of the corresponding instructions to each form, complete and insert in Annex to your Proposal the costing form(s) requested below):

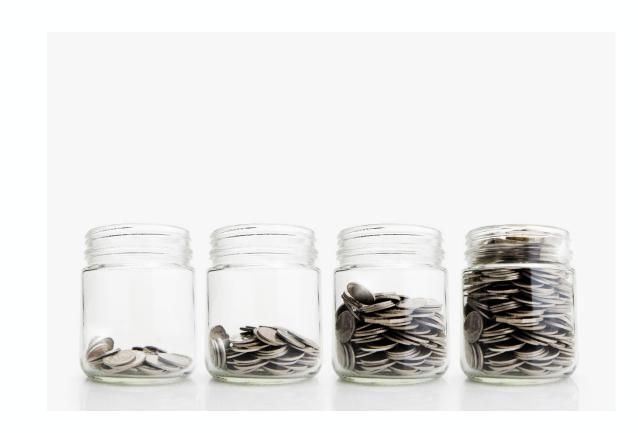
- PSS A1 Company Cost Rates and Overheads
- PSS A2 Company Price Breakdown Form
- PSS A2 Exhibit A Other Cost Element Details (if applicable)
- PSS A2 Exhibit B Travel and subsistence plan
- PSS A8 Manpower & Price Summary per WP
- Note that the PSS form templates can be downloaded from esa-star Publication at <a href="https://esastar-publication.sso.esa.int/supportingDocumentation under Reference Documentation/Administrative Documents/PSS Forms/Issue 5</a>. Each of the PSS forms must be signed.
- Note for co-funded activity, the PSSA2, Exhibit A and Exhibit B and PSSA8 should present the total cost of the activity including the co-funded amount. No profit can be charged on co-funded activity. The amount co-funded by the Tenderer shall not include any additional co-financing from other public R&D or other public programmes. The difference between the total cost of the activity and the total price of the present Contract shall be funded by the Contractor through [its internal funds/or specify as required], and shall not be recharged to the Agency in other Contracts, nor in the form of overhead.
- For fully funded activity, the profit shall not exceed eight percent (8%) of the base cost defined in item no. 9 of PSS A2 form, issue 5 ("Company Price Breakdown Form").





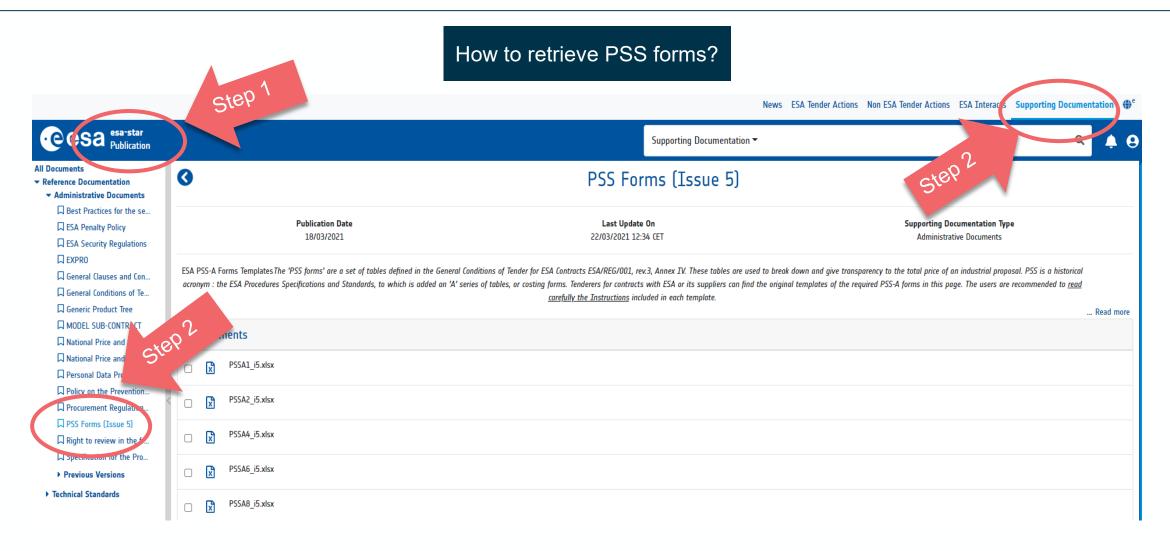
#### **Procedures Specifications and Standards (PSS)**

- PSS A1 Company Cost Rates and Overheads
- PSS A2 Company Price Breakdown Form
- PSS A2 Exhibit A Other Cost Element Details (if applicable)
- PSS A2 Exhibit B Travel and Subsistence Plan
- PSS A8 Manpower & Price Summary per WP













#### Why do we use PSS Forms?

- Fairness: PSSs are standard tools used for all ESA activities/CfP. All costs are presented the same way to allow systematic evaluation.
- Clarity: PSSs allow to review clearly where the money is allocated.
- Evaluation tool: e.g. number of hours spent per Key Personnel per Work Package, cost per category, hardware cost...

#### **Carefully check the Instruction Page**

#### **BE AWARE**

- We evaluate in detail the cost.
- We will challenge the number of hours and the cost allocation to verify that the cost are true and credible.
- Use the standard cost categories effective for any other work done by your organisation.





#### PSSA1

- ✓ Present the labour Cost per Category (Project Manager, Mechanical Engineer, Senior Scientist, PhD, Engineer ...)
- ✓ No Names
- ✓ ONE hourly rate for ONE labour cost category
- ✓ Fill in the Internal Facilities' part only if cost will be allocated to it.





### PSSA2

- ✓ Full vision of the cost allocated to the activity
- ✓ If applicable, do not forget to include profit and cost of subcontractors
- ✓ **Exhibit A**: Details the cost allocated to hardware, services and miscellaneous
  - TIPS: Cost must be detailed and verifiable against current market price
- ✓ Exhibit B: Details the travel costs
  - No conference unless strictly linked to the need of the activity. We promote teleconference whenever possible. Not everyone need to come to the Final Presentation.
- ✓ The instruction provides all the definitions related to OTHER DIRECT COST ELEMENTS.





Hints & Tips:
PSS A2 – Key review points by
Technical Experts

# Total # hours Total # FTE

- Are these reasonable for the duration and scope of work?
- Do they match the # and time allocation of key people?

COMPA	ANY PRICE BREAKDOWN FO	ORM		Form N	lo. PSS A2	Page no.	1	of 1	Issue 5
RFQ/	TTT No.:	8.187.04			COMPANY			•	
Propo	osal/Tender No.:				Name:	HiQ Beverages Ltd			
Туре	of Price:	FFP	Firm Fixed Price		Country:	Estonia			
Econ	omic Condition:	2018							
Natio	nal Currency (NC):	EUR			Representative				
Excha	ange Rate (X):	1 EURO =	1.00000	EUR	Name and Title:	Mr. Bean			
Cont	ractual Phase: N	l/A			Signature:				
Proje	ct/Work Package(s):							TOTAL	TOTAL
								(NC)	(EURO)
	LABOUR							EUR	NC/X
Direct L	abour cost centres or categ  / Description	gories	No. of FTE (calculated) U = W / V	Sold Hours per Man Year <b>V</b>	Manpower Effort No. of Hours <b>W</b>	Gross Hourly Rate in NC			
	Project Manager		0.2	1,600	300	39.24		11,772.00	11,772.0
	Senior Engineer		0.9	1,800	1,550	57.84		89,652.00	89,652.0
	Junior Engineer		0.3	1,800	550	36.72		20,196.00	20,196.0
	Tochnician		0.2	1,800	400	28.44		11,376.00	11,376.0
	QA Managei		0.0	1,800	80	48.72		3,897.60	3,897.6
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
			<i>&gt;</i>		3			0.00	0.0
1	Total Direct Labour Hours a	and Cost	1.6		2880.0		Α	136,893.60	136,893.6
	INTERNAL SPECIAL FAC	CILITIES							
Code	Description			Type of unit	No. of units	Unit rates in NC			
	Pressure testing Chamber	-		Day	1	1,000		1,000.00	1,000.0
			·					0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0
								0.00	0.0





# Hints & Tips: PSS A2 – Key review points by Technical Experts

Other direct cost elements - % of overall cost reasonable? (details reviewed in Exhibits)

Profit <= 8%? \_\_\_

Costing should be done from the bottom up. A reduction can be offered, if the budget exceeds the financial envelope for the activity type.

2	Total Internal Special Facilities Cost					В	1,000.00	1,000.00
	OTHER DIRECT COST ELEMENTS	Base amounts in NC	+ OH %	OH amounts in NC			,	,
3.1	Raw materials	1,455	5.0%	73			1,527.75	1,527.75
3.2	Mechanical parts	1,973	5.0%	99			2,071.65	2,071.65
3.3	Semi-finished products						0.00	0.00
3.4	Electrical & electronic components	733	10.0%	73			806.30	806.30
3.5	HIREL parts							
	a) procured by company						0.00	0.00
	b) procured by third party						0.00	0.00
3.6	External Major Products						0.00	0.00
3.7	External Services	3,000	15.0%	450			3,450.00	3,450.00
3.8	Transport and Insurances						0.00	0.00
3.9	Travel and Subsistence	3,100	10.0%	318			3,498.00	3,498.00
3.10	Miscellaneous	600	5.0%	30			630.00	630.00
3	Total Other Direct Cost	10,941.00		1,042.70		0	11,983.70	11,983.70
4	SUB-TOTAL DIRECT COST				(A+B+C)	D	149,877.30	149,877.30
	GENERAL EXPENSES	Cost items to whic	h % applies	Base Amount in NC	OH %			
5	General & Administration Expenses	1		136,893.60	3.75%	Е	5,133.51	5,133.51
6	Research & Development Expenses					F	0.00	0.00
7	Otner					G	0.00	0.00
8	TOTAL COMPANY COST				D+(E+F+G)	н	155,010.81	155,010.81
		Cost items to whic	h % applies	Base Amount in NC	0/			
9	PROFIT	1		155,010.8	8.0%	1	12,400.86	<b>1</b> 2,400.86
10	COST WITHOUT ADDITIONAL CHAR	RGE				ſ		0.00
11	FINANCIAL PROVISION FOR ESCAI	LATION				к		0.00
12	TOTAL COMPANY PRICE	L	167,411.67	167,411.67				
13	TOTAL SUB-CONTRACTOR PRICE					М		23,969.90
14	REDUCTION for COMPANY CONTRI	N		0.00				
15	TOTAL PRICE FOR ESA		167,411.67	191,381.57				

Total – less than earmarked budget?







# Hints & Tips: PSS A2 – Key review points by Technical Experts

RICE BREAKDOWN FORM	EXHIBIT	T"A" TO PSS A2	Issue !		
		Page No.	1	No. of Pages	1
18.187.04		COMPANY NAME:	HiQ Beverages Ltd		
er No.: 1		Name and Title:	Mr. Bean		
ncy: EUR					
ase N/A		Signature			
to PSS-A2 elements: 3.1-3.4 - 3.6 - 3.7 - 3.10 - 10 ork Pac CM2000 Development; WP300, WP400, WP500					
ITEM DESCRIPTION	Type of Price	Purchase Currency	Purchase Amount	Ex change rate 1 NC =	Amount in NC
Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing	FFP	EUR	1,455.00	1.00000	1,455.0
Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps	FFP	EUR	1,973.00	1.00000	1,973.0
Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc	FFP	EUR	733.00	1.00000	733.0
External Test Facility: ASTM f2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, Italy	FFP	EUR	3,000.00	1.00000	3,000.0
Travel and Subsistence: Meeting with Subco, testing travel to Italy (see Exb. B)	FFP	FFP	3,180.00	1.00000	3,180.0
Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee, cocoa beans, tea, syrups, milk)	FFP	FFP	600.00	1.00000	600.0
	18.187.04 er No.: 1 ncy: EUR ase N/A to PSS-A2 elements: 3.1-3.4 - 3.6 - 3.7 - 3.10 - 10 ork Pac CM2000 Development; WP300, WP400, WP500  ITEM DESCRIPTION  Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing  Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps  Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc  External Test Facility: ASTM f2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, Italy  Travel and Subsistence: Meeting with Subco, testing travel to Italy (see Exb. B)  Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee,	18.187.04 er No.: 1  Incy: EUR ase N/A to PSS-A2 elements: 3.1-3.4 - 3.6 - 3.7 - 3.10 - 10 ork Pac CM2000 Development; WP300, WP400, WP500  ITEM DESCRIPTION Type of Price  Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing  Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps  Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc  External Test Facility: ASTM f2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, Italy  Travel and Subsistence: Meeting with Subco, testing travel to Italy (see Exb. B)  Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee,	Page No.  18.187.04  COMPANY NAME:  Princy: EUR  Rase N/A  Signature  To PSS-A2 elements: 3.1-3.4 - 3.6 - 3.7 - 3.10 - 10  Ork Pac CM2000 Development; WP300, WP400, WP500  ITEM DESCRIPTION  Type of Price Purchase Currency  Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing  Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps  Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc  External Test Facility: ASTM f2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, Italy  Travel and Subsistence: Meeting with Subco, testing travel to Italy (see Exb. B)  Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee, FEP	Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing   Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps   Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc   External Test Facility: ASTM f2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, tally   Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee, per	18.187.04 COMPANY NAME: HiQ Beverages Ltd  Page No.: 1 Name and Title: Mr. Bean  No.: EUR  Base N/A Signature  Type of Price Purchase Currency Purchase Amount 1 N.C =  Raw Materials: Copper, Stainless Steel for component manufacturing  Mechanical Parts: Soldering support equipment, mechanical seals, slides, hinges, toggle clamps  Electrical & electronic components: resistors, capacitors, LEDs, transistors, etc  External Test Facility. ASTM £2990 Certified Commercial Coffee Brewers Testing Facility at Brewzone, Italy  Travel and Subsistence: Meeting with Subco, testing travel to Italy (see Exb. B)  Miscellaneous: raw food material for testing (coffee, FEP

#### **Bought in items**

- Justified by scope of work?
- Not representing infrastructure?
- Not representing 'normal work' items?
- Sufficiently identified?
- Reasonable cost?

#### **External Services**

- Clearly described?
- Clearly needed?
- Value for money?
- Referenced in the proposal?







# Hints & Tips: PSS A2 Exhibit B – Key review points by Technical Experts

TRAVEL PLAN AND COST D	DETAIL			EXHIBIT "B" TO PSS-A	<b>\2</b>								Issue 1
RFQ/ITT No.:	18.187.04								Project:	CM20	00 Deve	elopment	
Proposal/Tender No.:	1		Company: HiQ Beverages Ltd										
Contractual Phase	N/A												
Economic Condition:	2018							Т	ype of Price:		FFP	)	
National Currency (NC)*:	EUR						Exc	hange	( <b>X</b> ): 1 EURO =	1		EUR	
												·	
WP Reference Number	WP Title	Purpose/Event	Departure	Destination	Nr. of Trips	Avg.People	Travel Cost	B/E	Avg.Days per	Subsistence Cost	A/R	Total Cost	Total Cost
						per Trip	p.p. (NC)		Trip	p.d. (NC)		(NC)	(EURO)
WP400	Detailed Design	Progress meeting #5	Tallinn, Estonia	Riga, Latvia	1	2	100	E	2	12	20 R	680	680
		Critical Performance test											
		at ASTM F2990 Certified											
	Prototype Development and	Commercial Coffee											
WP500	Test	Brewers Testing Facility	Tallinn, Estonia	Brewzone, Italy	1	2	300	) E	2	1:	50 R	1,200	1,200
WP500	Prototype Development and	Final Presentation of	Tallinn, Estonia	Noordwijk,	1			T					
VVF 300	Test	Project Outcome	raiiiiii, ⊑StOfiia	Netherlands	1	72	25	E	2	720	00	1,300	1,300
Total Cost, WBS level 1	(equal to the item 3.9 of PSS	-A2)					•					3,180	3,180

#### Meetings:

- Matching meeting plan?
- All clearly justified?

#### # People:

Matched to scope of meeting?

#### Travels:

- Flight costs reasonable?
- # days reasonable?
- Subsistence reasonable? (often too low)





#### PSSA8

- ✓ Cost and Hours are broken down per Work Package
- ✓ We evaluate whether there is too much, not enough hours allocated to each WP
- ✓ Consistency of information is important
- ✓ Do not forget to sign the PSS forms
- ✓ Do not forget the total!





# Hints & Tips: PSS A8 – Key review points by Technical Experts

#### Hours per work package

- Matching/ reasonable for scope of work described in WP?
- Reasonable spread of hours (i.e. focus at key part)?
- Hours spent on management reasonable?
- Is the PSS complete? (Often not fully filled out)
- Procurements associated to correct WP?

COMPANY MANPOWER	AND PRICE SU	JMMARY PER	WP			Form no. <b>PSS A8</b> Page X of Y						Page X of Y	Issue 5
ITT/RFQ: Proposal/Tender No.: Company Name: Contractual Phase: WBS-Level (Number and Title	e):	18.187.04 1 HiQ Beverages Lt N/A		Workpackage					National C	Price Type: mic Conditions: Currency (NC): Rate: 1 EUR =	2018	01-1900	
	WP Tifle	,	Specification and	Preliminary Design	Detailed Design	Prototy pe Dev elopment &							
WP	Number		concept 200	300	400	Test 500							Total WBS-Level
Labour Hours per category	Hours												
Project Manager	#	300											300
Senior engineer	#		190	140	680	540							1,550
Junior Engineer	#		50	100	100	300							550
Technician	#			120	40	240							400
QA Manager	#			10	10	60							80
	#												
***	#												
 Total Labour Hours	#	300	240	370	830	1,140							2,880
Total Labour Hours	#	300	240	370	630	1,140							2,000
1. Total Labour Cost	NC	11,772.00	12,825.60	15,669.60	44,628.00	51,998.40							136,893.60
2. Internal Special Facilities Cost	NC					1,000.00							
3.1-3.4 Material Costs	NC			1,933.00		2,472.70							4,405.70
3.5 High Rel Parts Costs	NC												
3.6 External Major Products Cost	NC												
3.7 External Services Cost	NC					3,450.00							3,000.00
3.8 Transport/Insurance Cost	NC												
3.9 Travel and Subsistence Cost	NC				780.00	2,718.00							3,498.00
3.10 Miscellaneous Cost	NC					630.00							630.00
3. Total Other Costs (sum of above	3.x) NC	0.00	0.00	1,933.00	780.00	9,270.70							11,983.70
4. Sub-Total Direct Cost	NC	11,772.00	12,825.60	17,602.60	45,408.00	62,269.10							149,877.30
57. General expenses	NC	441.45	480.96	587.61	1,673.55	1,949.94							5,133.51
8. Sub-Total Company Cost	NC	12,213.45	13,306.56	18,190.21	47,081.55	64,219.04							155,010.81
9. Profit Fee	NC	977.08	1,064.52	1,455.22	3,766.52	5,137.52							12,400.86
10. Cost without additional charge	NC												
11. Financial Provision for escalation	on NC												
							·						
<ol><li>Total Company Price</li></ol>	NC	13,190.53	14,371.08	19,645.43	50,848.07	69,356.56							167,411.67
	EURO												
								_					_
<ol> <li>Total Sub-Contractors Price</li> </ol>	NC				12,943.80	11,026.10							23,969.90
	EURO												
									-				
<ol><li>Reduction for Company contribution</li></ol>	ution NC												1
15. Total Price for ESA	NC												
	EURO	13,190.53	14,371.08	19,645.43	63,791.87	80,382.66							191,381.57
							•						





#### **PLEASE NOTE!**

- All fields in National Currency and in EURO must be filled in.
- Please do not forget to fill in the exchange rate.
- For non-profit organisations, no profit can be accepted. For other organisations, the profit shall not exceed 8% of the Total Company Cost shown on line 8, which excludes the base value of 3.5b. Subcontractor prices are not considered to be own company cost and, being already inclusive of profit, are shown on line 13 of the PSS A2 (Issue 5).
- Overheads on procurements and labour rates are intended to cover admin costs and general office supplies and overheads.





#### 3.2.2 <u>Milestone Payment Plan</u>

#### Determines how much gets paid, when and what are the conditions for payment

ESA pays against achieved results = Payment milestone dates typical align with technical review milestones successfully concluding with all associated deliverables accepted by the Agency.

Milestone (MS) Description	Schedule Date	Payments from ESA to (Prime) Contractor (in Euro)	Country (ISO code)
Progress (MS 1): Upon successful completion of WP xxx and/or successful [review] and acceptance by the Agency of all related deliverable items [Deliverable reference e.g D.1 or TN1].	To + months		
Progress (MS 2): Upon successful completion of WP xxx and/or successful [review] and acceptance by the Agency of all related deliverable items [Deliverable reference e.g D.1 or TN1].	To + months		
Final Settlement [1] (MS 3): Upon the Agency's [OPTION] final acceptance of software and [END OPTION] and acceptance of all deliverable items due under the Contract and the Contractor's fulfilment of all other contractual obligations including submission of the Contract Closure Documentation	To + months	(not less than 10% of the total contract price)	
TOTAL			





#### Hints & Tips:

Not more than 2 payments in a 12 month period!

Balance to be cash neutral!

Acceptable Milestone Description

Preferred description is linked to a review

Payments should be balanced to predicted expenditure profile

	Milestone (MS) Description	Schedule Date	Payments from ESA to (Prime) Contractor (in Euro)	Country (ISO code)
Req	gress (MS 1): Upon successful completion of the quirements Review and acceptance of deliverables D1a, p, D1c, D2 and D3.	To + 2 months	75,000	EE
Pre	ogress (MS 2): Upon successful completion of the climinary Design Review and acceptance of deliverables a-c, D5, D6a-b, D7.	To + 7 months	74,570	
CDI und othe	al Settlement (MS3): Upon successful completion of the R and the Agency's acceptance of all deliverable items due der the Contract and the Contractor's fulfilment of all er contractual obligations including submission of the ntract Closure Documentation.	To +18 months	41,812	
TO	TAL		191,382	





#### **Hints & Tips:**

SME status is sufficient justification for automatic 35% Advance Payment!

All non-SMEs must provide clear justification for </= 10% Advance Payment!

#### Note:

The advance payment constitutes a debt of the Contractor to the Agency until it has been offset against a subsequent milestone.

Prime (P)	Company Name	ESA Entity Code (at contract signature)	Country (ISO code)	Advance Payment (in Euro)	Offset against	Offset by Euro	Condition for release of the Advance Payment
P				Amount (not more than 35% of the total contract price for SMEs and not more than 10% for non-SMEs)	MS 1	Amount	Upon signature of the Contract by both Parties

In this case the 66,984€ would be paid at contract signature. At the first milestone (75K€) on a further 8,016€ would actually be transferred.

Prime (P)	Company Name	ESA Entity Code (at contract signature)	Country (ISO code)	Advance Payment (in Euro)	Offset against	Offset by Euro	Condition for release of the Advance Payment
P	HiQ Beverages Ltd		EE	66,984	MS 1	66,984	Upon signature of the Contract by both Parties





You are requested to indicate for information purposes only, the Milestone Payment Plan that is envisaged for subcontractor(s)

For Information purposes only: Amounts in Euro for Contractor and Sub-contractor(s)										
MilestonePrime Contractor HiQ Beverages LtdInsert Country (ISO code) EESubcontractor A Under Pressure Manufacturing Ltd EVInsert Country (ISO code) LV										
Advance	61,984		5,000							
MS-1	8,016		0							
MS-2	55,600		18,970							
MS-3	41,812		0							
TOTAL	167,412	2	23,970							

**See page 32 of example proposal** 

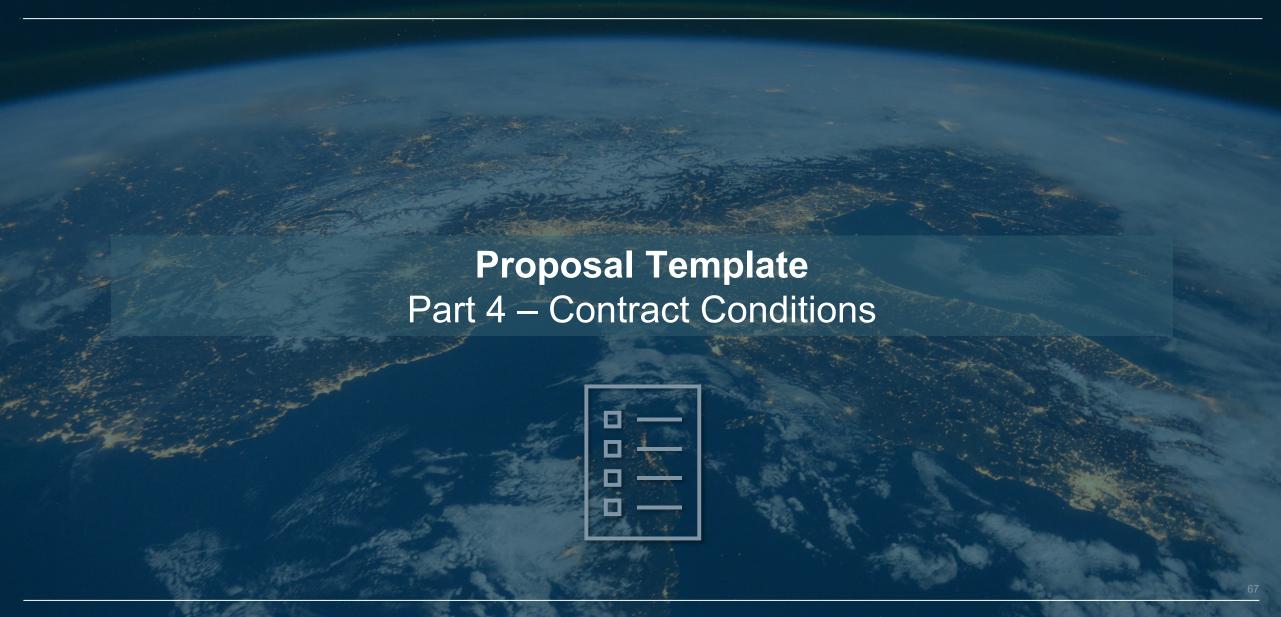




#### PLEASE NOTE!

- All claims for payment shall be linked to the achievement of defined schedule milestones. These
  milestones are to be in the form of significant events in the programme to be selected on the basis of
  providing a check point for progress in the work performed. E.g.
  - Successful completion of Reviews
  - Acceptance of deliverables
- Progress reports are not sufficient to make payments
- Advance payments to be made after contract signature, may be agreed in line with:
  - The advance payment constitutes a debt of the Contractor to the Agency until it has been set-off against a subsequent milestone. The advance payment shall nominally be set-off against the 1st progress payment.
  - Advance payments for SMEs are 35% of the contract price. SMEs are classified according to the criteria of the European Commission (Recommendation 2003/361/EC of 6 May 2003 (OJ L 124, 20.5.2003, p. 36)).
- The final payment milestone shall not be less than 10% of the contract price.













#### 4.1 Compliance with the Contract Conditions

- Tenderers shall simply state acceptance of all contract conditions and fill in all blanks of the Draft Contract as required. Full
  and unconditional compliance is expected for tenders to be considered for contract award. No amendments and/or
  reservations shall be made by the Tenderers.
- The duly completed Draft Contract shall be uploaded under the "Other" section of proposal elements on esa-star Tendering.





#### 4.2 Intellectual Property Rights

#### 4.2.1 <u>Background Intellectual Property and Third Party Intellectual Property Rights</u>

#### **Background IPR**

- a. Intellectual property existing already BEFORE the CfP.
- b. That is USED for the work of the CfP
- c. That had no ESA financial aid to develop.
- d. Must be listed, must be able to be evidenced (e.g. via patent, notebook or other means)
- e. Impact on the deliverables must be described
  - Which deliverables is it included in?
  - How does it affect that deliverable and ESA's rights?

#### Foreground IPR

- a. Intellectual property developed DURING the Activity
- b. IP shall remain vested in the company
- c. ESA shall also have rights
- d. It shall not affect the deliverables/rights on the deliverables

#### Hints & Tips:

Foreground IPR is typically expected out of any technical development.

FIPR contributes to advancement of products and services and commercial business cases.





#### 4.2 Intellectual Property Rights

#### 4.2.2 <u>Foreground Intellectual Property</u>

Present the expected FIPR that will be created as a result of the activity.

#### 4.2.3 Ownership of Foreground Intellectual Property

Please review carefully Articles 6 of the Draft Contract. Please provide two statements of compliance:

- 1. the Contractor will own all Intellectual Property Rights and have the right to apply for, and to own, any
  Registered Intellectual Property Rights arising from Work performed under this Contract in line with the clause Articles
  6.2.1 the draft Contract and
- 2. the Agency shall have an irrevocable right to use the information used in that application, for its own requirements on the terms set out in Article 6.2.2 the draft Contract.

In the case of the participation of subcontractor(s), explain the agreement reached between the parties on the ownership of the Intellectual Property and the principles for its exploitation, use and benefits.





#### 4.3 Import and Export Licenses

This section is only **to be completed in case** of items or services that are **subject to** envisaged or probable inclusion **of import/export restrictions**, other than those from the Tenderer's own country, in either the body of the work performed under this activity or in a resulting product or service.

# 4.3 <u>STATEMENT RELATING TO EXPORT IMPORT LICENCES / AUTHORISATIONS AND RELATED</u> DOCUMENTATION

There <u>are</u> no export or import restriction issues and thus no need to obtain specific licences or authorisations. or include and complete the following statements as appropriate

Export or import restrictions and/or a need of adequate licences or authorisations exist, and the status regarding such requirements is at present the following:

 the Tenderer/Subcontractor ... (name) has obtained the following authorisation(s) in order to submit this tender: ....

#### and/or

 the Tenderer/Subcontractor ... (name) will need to obtain, prior to the placing of a Contract, the following authorisation(s): ....

#### and/or

 the Tenderer/Subcontractor ... (name) will need to obtain the following authorisation(s) for the implementation of the contract: ....

# Security Measures applied to submitted Proposals



# **ISTRIBUTION**

TEB participants are granted access, in esastar, to admitted tenders only after signing a Non-Disclosure and Non-Interest Form

SECURITY

The latest ESA Security Directives are applicable to the procurement process and the admitted Proposals.

DISPOSAL POSAL

Proposals not admitted for evaluation and those not recommended for contract award, are deleted from the esa-star system.



