

Queries_Tender: 7000020970 - Circular Economy Handbook (Please note extension to 7 September 2026 at 23:59 SAST)

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We would appreciate your clarification to ensure full compliance with the tender requirements. • International participation: Can an international company without a legal presence in South Africa participate as part of a consortium? • Consortium lead: If so, can the international company act as the lead contractor, or must the lead be a South African-registered entity? • Financial currency: Can an eligible international bidder submit its financial proposal in EUR instead of ZAR, or is ZAR mandatory? • Financial proposal format: The tender provides an Excel sheet for the financial proposal. Is submitting the completed Excel sheet sufficient, or is a separate financial proposal/document also required?	• This is a local bid to be paid in South African Rands only, therefore governed by South African tax laws. The ToR does not specify a consortium. International participation is possible, where the local consultant subcontracts an international expert (not a company) as part of their consulting team. As there is no provision for international travel, the likely contribution of the international expert would be of a virtual nature, e.g. desktop research or virtual stakeholder engagements. • No. The lead must be South African registered company. • No. Financial proposal must be in South African currency only (ZAR). Any arrangements between local company and international consultant shall still be recognized in South African Rands. GIZ will not be liable for any tax or legal implications arising from the arrangement between the two parties. • No. Only the excel spreadsheet is sufficient.

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We would appreciate your clarification to ensure full compliance with the tender requirements. • Please confirm whether the specified nine domestic flights represent three trips for three experts, with each trip involving three days of assignment. • We would also appreciate guidance on the anticipated locations or geographic coverage of the site visits and stakeholder consultations. • Please clarify whether all proposed experts need to travel for the on-site workshop, or if local representatives can attend. • Will GIZ support introductions to relevant government, industry, project-development and research stakeholders and facilitate access to potential GH2/PtX project sites? • Please also confirm the proposed city/location for the stakeholder workshop. • Please confirm that the tender submission deadline of 2nd September 2026 at 23:59 refers to South African Standard Time. • Request for extension of the submission deadline • We also respectfully request an extension of the tender submission deadline, preferably until 9th September 2026. • The tender requires careful alignment of the technical concept, personnel assignment plan, expert CVs and availability confirmation, eligibility references, statutory documentation, consortium arrangements and detailed financial schedule. As the tender was issued on 19th August 2026 and clarifications may be received only shortly before the current submission deadline, an extension would	• The 9 domestic flights represent total return trips and 27 days (9trips x 3days per trip) available to the team members (three assumed). The appointed consultant will discuss in consultation with GIZ how best to allocate the trips to the team within the available budget. • The sites visits will be limited within South Africa. The stakeholders to be consulted can include international experts (virtually) as well South African. • Not all experts need to travel to the workshop. The key expert can decide who additional in the expert pool to attend the workshop. • Yes, GIZ will support introductions to relevant stakeholders and potential GH@/PtX sites. • The site proposed for the workshop will be in Pretoria-Gauteng. • Extension of submission deadline has been granted; the new deadline is now <u>7 SEPTEMBER 2026 at 23:59 South African Standard time</u>

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allow bidders adequate time to incorporate GIZ's responses and ensure all submission documents are completed in the prescribed formats. • We believe that this additional time would support a stronger, fully compliant and competitive submission without materially affecting the overall implementation schedule.	