



Memorandum of information 'European tender Integrated Ground Model Wind farm zone Nederwiek Noord and Wind farm zone Hollandse Kust West VIII'

Date: 27 June 2023

In this memorandum of information, the contracting authority provides answers to the questions asked and remarks posted in the context of the above-mentioned European tender. This memorandum of information forms an integral part of the tender document (with reference 202304106). Together with this MOI a revision of Annex 4a and 4b are provided. Tenderer is request to use the latest version when responding to this Tender.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
1.	Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 2.4	Formation and duration - Penalties Can you please include the following: "Penalties are the sole and exclusive remedies for delays for the Contracting Authority under this Contract."	This is not agreed. The Contracting Authority wishes to keep the other options open as mentioned in article 2.4 of the Contract.
2.	Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 2.4	Formation and duration - Penalties Can you please delete "the right to damages" The penalties should be the sole remedy for delays and Contractor should not be liable for additional damages due to the delays. "	Not agreed. Please see the answer to question 1.
3.	Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 3.2	Section 3.2 VAT As we understand the tax law, for office consulting services VAT will be applicable and chargeable. If RVO has a specific VAT exemption for this project can this be clarified/provided.	RVO has no specific VAT exemption.
4.	Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 4.3	"Section 4.3 Please clarify which contracts this clause 4.3 is referring to.	This is referring to the contacts not the contracts.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		Notwithstanding the provisions of article 10.2 of the ARVODI 2018, the contacts named above cannot make legally binding agreements on the Parties' behalf."	
5.	Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 13	"Annex 6 Public Service Contract Section 13 Confidentiality Please include new sub-clause as follows: The confidentiality obligations contained in this clause 13 shall end two years from the date of expiry or termination of this Contract. Please amend clause 13.4 as follows: After termination of the Contract, the Contractor must hand over to the Contracting Authority without delay, at the Contracting Authority's first request, information that the Contractor has in its possession for the purpose of performing the Contract, with the exception of information that the Contractor is required to have in its possession on the basis of legislation and/or generally accepted professional rules applicable to the Contractor, and with the exception of information stored in Contractor's systems as a result of automated back-up processes."""	There is no section 13 in the public service contract. But if it's about the section in the ARVODI, we accept the amend that is made in clause 13.4.
6.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 21.3	"Arvodi 218 Clause 21.3 Please change as follows: Unless agreed otherwise, a Party that imputably fails to discharge its obligations is liable to the other Party for any direct damages incurred by the other Party, on the understanding that liability is limited to 100% of the contract value in aggregate.	Not agreed.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		Please delete the following: "" – for Contracts whose total value is less than or equal to €50,000: €150,000 per event and €300,000 for each year or part of a year that the Contract has been in force; – for Contracts whose total value is greater than €50,000 but less than or equal to €100,000: €300,000 per event and €500,000 for each year or part of a year that the Contract has been in force; – for Contracts whose total value is greater than €100,000 but less than or equal to €150,000: €500,000 per event and €1,000,000 for each year or part of a year that the Contract has been in force; – for Contracts whose total value is greater than €150,000 but less than or equal to €500,000: €1,500,000 per event and €3,000,000 for each year or part of a year that the Contract has been in force; – for Contracts whose total value is greater than €500,000: €3,000,000 per event and €5,000,000 for each year or part of a year that the Contract has been in force. Related events will be treated as a single event."" Please add the following: Contractor shall not be liable for any loss of profit, indirect damages or consequential loss. The limitation of liability referred to above will not apply: a. in the event of third-party claims for compensation in respect of death or personal injury ""and caused by the negligent act of Contractor"";	

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		b. in the event of ""wilful"" intent or gross negligence on the part of the other Party, the Contractor's Staff or the Contracting Authority's Staff; c. in the event of a breach of intellectual property rights as referred to in article 24; d. in the event of an agreement concluded between the Parties under article 14, paragraph 2: to claims for compensation in relation to failure to comply with that agreement, including any fines imposed by the supervisory authority.""	
7.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 22.2	"Arvodi 2018 - Clause 22.2 Please amend as indicated: If one of the Parties is unable to discharge its obligations under the Contract as a result of force majeure, ""either Party"" is entitled to cancel the Contract, subject to a reasonable period, in full or in part out of court by registered mail, without its action creating any entitlement to compensation, but no earlier than 15 Working Days as from the date on which the circumstance that produced the force majeure arose.""	Not agreed.
8.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 23	"Arvodi 2018 - Clause 23 Retention of right to demand performance Please make this subject to a change order or variation. The Contractor should be able to renegotiate the time schedules due to possible other commitments."	Not agreed.
9.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 24.1	"Arvodi 2018 - Clause 24.1 Intellectual property rights	Not agreed.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		Article 24 ARVODI-2018 states that the intellectual property rights, as a result of the services carried out by the Contractor, belong to the Contracting Authority. In the Copyright Act and based on the industry conditions all IP rights belong to the creator of the product, in this case the Contractor who does the research and is the author of the technical reports or tools. The main feature of engineering firms is their innovation in research results, tools and products. Therefore, from a commercial point of view, transferring the IP rights to the Contracting Authority is not acceptable. However, we are willing to agree on a right of use for the IP-rights regarding this assignment. This will respect the position of both the Contracting Authority and the Contractor. (see page 55 of the Guide to Proportionality)? Are you willing to remove Article 24 and agree on the following: "The documents provided by the Contractor will become the Contracting Authority's property and may be used by them for the purpose for which they have been produced.""	
10.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 26.2	"Arvodi 2018 Clause 26.2 Insurances Contractor can provide insurance certificates, insurance policies cannot be provided. Please amend clause accordingly."	Agreed, a certified copy of the insurance certificate is sufficient.
11.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 19	"Arvodi 2018 Clause 19 Bank Guarantee	A bank guarantee is not relevant for the execution of the assignment and therefore it is not required.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		In accordance with Article 19 ARVODI-2018, the client may require an on demand bank guarantee, which will entail additional costs for the Contractor and should therefore be included in the pricing. Do you intend to require an on demand bank guarantee?"	
12.	Annex 6- III Arvodi 2018 Clause 32	"Arvodi 2018 Clause 32 Survival Please delete confidentiality in this clause and include a new sub-clause in clause 13 as indicated above. Provisions which by their nature are intended to persist after the Contract has been performed will remain in force after the expiry of the Contract. These obligations include in any event the provisions on guarantees (article 3), liability (article 21), intellectual property rights (article 24), confidentiality (article 13), and disputes and applicable law (article 33).""	Please see the answer to question 5.
13.	Contracting of combined Lots	We understand that Lot 1 & Lot 2 will either be contracted together to a single contractor or alternatively to two different contractors. Does this imply that two type of proposals have to be prepared. One combined proposal for Lot 1 and Lot 2 together with technical and commercial synergies and secondly two separate stand alone proposals for Lot 1 and Lot 2. Can you clarify.	Please see the answer to question 22.
14.	Submission date extension	Given the summer holiday period we would like to request for a two week submission deadline extension to July 25.	We understand the project's time constraints and the upcoming summer holiday period. However, due to the project's existing schedule and commitments, we are unable to grant an extension beyond the original deadline. We encourage you to prioritize and allocate the necessary resources to meet the current deadline.
15.	General Government Terms and Conditions for Public	Article 24.7. Would it be possible to change "indemnifies the Contracting Authority against all claims brought by third parties in respect of any breach of their intellectual property	Not agreed.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
	Service Contracts 2018 (ARVODI 2018) – (Annex 6-III)	rights, including equivalent claims relating to knowledge, unlawful competition and suchlike" into "is liable towards the Contracting Authority for all claims, brought by third parties in respect of any breach of their intellectual property rights, including equivalent claims relating to knowledge, unlawful competition and suchlike, given the proof of Contractor's intent or gross negligence".	
16.	General Government Terms and Conditions for Public Service Contracts 2018 (ARVODI 2018) – (Annex 6-III)	Article 21.3.c. As a non-profit institution, we cannot build up financial reserves for these risks. Therefore, would it be possible to limit the liability for the total amount of the contract.	Liability is reduced to the total maximum Contract value.
17.	Tender Document F	Are two two separate documents for the project documentation needed if we apply for both LOTs? Keeping in mind, that the Scope of Work for both LOTs is very similar.	While the Scope of Work for both LOTs may have similarities, it is important to note that they are considered as separate entities by the tendering authority. Therefore, it is necessary to prepare and submit two distinct documents, as the tendering authority will examine them individually.
18.	Tender Document F	Should the innovative methods be written in a separate document or be included in the main document? Because the tender documents states to avoid extra files but in the tender portal it requires an extra file upload.	It is recommended to prepare a separate document specifically dedicated to showcasing the innovative methods. This separate document, typically limited to one or two pages, allows for a focused presentation of the innovative aspects. As per the tender portal requirements, please upload this innovative document as a separate file, while ensuring that the main document covers all other necessary information as specified in the tender documents.
19.	General Government Terms and Conditions for Public Service Contracts 2018 (ARVODI 2018) – (Annex 6-III)	Article 21.3: As a non-profit institution, we cannot build up financial reserves for these risks. Therefore, would it be possible to limit contractual liability for the total amount of the contract.	Please see the answer to question 16.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
20.	Public service contract (ARVODI 2018).	Point 2.4: As a non-profit institution, we cannot build up financial reserves for these risks and therefore would it be possible to delete Point 2.4.	Please see the answer to question 16.
21.	Annex 4b - Delivery Dates and Prices	Draft Location Plan for downhole investigations, (2k) etc latest possible date is 16/02/2024 which is 2 weeks BEFORE availability of priority lines (1h). Is this an error because if not the GT programme will have to be designed without any official released GP data which will reduce efficiency and quality of the end product significantly.	The observation is correct there is an error in availability priority lines (1h). Priority line data will be available on 7-11-2023 not 1-3-2024 as mentioned in Annex 4b.
22.	Tender Document F	If the project team is more or less the same for both LOTs, is the Tenderer still considered for only one LOT if not accepted for both?	WOZ - Tendering authority will carefully review the tender documents as per LOT, even if the project team is the same or more or less the same for both LOTs. Tenderer can either be awarded no LOT, a single LOT or both LOTs.
23.	Annex 4b - Delivery Dates and Prices	Draft Location Plan for Seabed VC's, CPTs, (2e) etc latest possible date is 24/11/2023 which is over 3 months BEFORE availability of priority lines (1h).	Please see the answer to question 21.
24.	Annex 4a - Delivery Dates and Prices	Line 86 and 87 of HKW "Delivery dates and Prices. 3u deliverables are missing from the Annex 3 HKW scoring matrix. Is this a typing error?	That is an error, the correct description should be: <i>"Ultimate date for Delivery of Reports (3g, 3k, 3s) set by CLIENT"</i>
25.	Annex 3 - Qualifications key project members	Why doesn't Chartered Status count towards qualifications points?	Tendering Authority understands the importance of recognizing professional designations. We will carefully evaluate the merits of including Chartered Status in our future tender processes, taking into account the specific requirements of each project and striving to enhance our evaluation criteria to ensure fairness and transparency.
26.	Tender Document F	Are companies that are already involved in other IGM and GIR projects from RVO allowed to make another ?	Yes they are.
27.	Annex 4 HKW 8	Annex 4 HKW 8 Can you confirm that item 2i is tied to item 2g rather than 2e as it appears that the dates only work in this manner.	That is correct, Cell K24 is linked to Cell K22. The correct description in brackets should have been: <i>"(days after provision of final laboratory testing strategy plan, item 2g)"</i>
28.	Annex 4 HKW 8	Annex 4 HKW 8	The delivery dates for the seismic reprocessing report are now linked with the cycle times of the GGM. This has also been adopted for NWN. Both annex 4a and 4b are revised and re-issued.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		We note that the Seismic reprocessing report is not on the schedule. Can you clarify.	
29.	Annex 4b NWN	Annex 4b NWN Should Item 2r be dependent of item 2j (Final) rather than 2i (RVO review), can you clarify?	That is correct, Cell K35 is correctly linked to Cell K27. The correct description in brackets should have been: " <i>(days after provision of final laboratory testing strategy plan, item 2j)</i> "
30.	Annex 4b NWN	Annex 4 b NWN Should Item 3a be dependent on item 1i rather than 1j (which doesnt exist). Can you clarify.	That is correct, Cell K38 is correctly linked to Cell K16. The correct description in brackets should have been: " <i>(after receiving of final geophysical 2D reports, item 1i)</i> "
31.	Annex 4b NWN	Annex 4b NWN 3n (Cyclic) Closed off at same date as delivery of Interim IGM (3o) - are cyclic results supposed to be integrated into IGM? Can you clarify.	If Tenderer proposes to include the cyclic results within the IGM results than Tendering Authority expects this to be included in the final revision of the IGM.
32.	Annex 4b NWN	Annex 4b NWN Seismic Data Reprocessing Report not on the schedule, can you clarify.	Please see the answer to question 28.
33.	Arvodi	We note that the terms in Arvodi 2018 do not contain an overarching performance standard of reasonable skill and care. Can you please confirm if contractors will be expected to perform to a fit for purpose obligation or if the provision of services can be performed in accordance with reasonable skill and care?	Tendering Authority refers Tenderer to Article 3 of the Arvodi 2018. Further to this, Tenderer is referred to the suitability requirements as outlined in Section 4 of the Tender document.
34.	Arvodi - Limit of Liability	The liability provisions in Arvodi 2018 appear to be on an each and every basis – given the different contractual lots, is it possible that an overall aggregate limit of liability is imposed instead for each contract?	No, this is meant for each contract.
35.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of Work page 4, references Please clarify. The SOW refers to documents that have been	Contractor is requested to use the most recent version of the referenced documents.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		withdrawn and superseded by later versions, e.g. DNVGL-RP-0416 and EN ISO 19901-2:2017	
36.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 8, Sections 1.1 and 1.3 Please confirm that 'all acquired geophysical ...across the' (Section 1) refers to data specifically acquired by RVO and excludes any other data sources as per Section 1.3.	Correct - this refers to all RVO acquired data within the specified IA, including the previously acquired HKWWFZ survey, and there is therefore overlap of the HKWVIII IA into the HKWVII WFS. Please refer to Figure 2 in the scope of work and the IA coordinates for information on the data that is covered by the scope of work.
37.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 11, Section 1.3.1 and Page 38, Section 2.2.18 Please clarify if engineering characteristic values as per 2.2.18 of the IGM will be required for the depth zone 60m to 100m (for which no site-specific geotechnical data will be available).	The Tenderer shall allow for preparing the IGM to a depth up to 100m below seafloor. The integration of geophysical data and geotechnical data is required over the full depth of available geotechnical data. Beyond the depth where no geotechnical data is present, the geophysical data shall be used to provide the geological framework.
38.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 19, Section 2.2.2 Please clarify if RVO engages the GP contractor for any queries that CONTRACTOR may have.	RVO separates the GM work from the GP work, and the GM contractor is required to review the existing data as delivered by the GP contractor. Please consider items 2.2.2 and 2.3.2 in the Scope Of Work relating to a review of the existing GP data.
39.	Start of contract wrt field work	Can the commencement date of the contract work be changed in case of survey/vessel delays? Or CONTRACTOR is expected to commence the scope under all condition on the September 1?	The contractor is expected to be prepared to start the scope of work by the specified commencement date, which, as stated in the information provided, is September 1. This means that the tenderer should be ready and capable of initiating the project on September 1.
40.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of Work Page 20, Section 2.2.3 Please clarify if Activities will be limited to HKWVII IA (versus HKWWFZ currently stated).	Activities will cover the HKWVIII Investigation Area as illustrated in Figure 2 of the Scope of Work.
41.	Nederwiek lease zone clarification	Please confirm whether or not the tender covers Nederwiek II and III or only one of these sites.	The Investigation Area for Nederwiek Noord is defined in section 1.3.2 of the scope of work with further details in the coordinates table (table 2).
42.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 - Scope of work Page 22, Section 2.2.4 and Section 2.2.9, Page 27 and Page 28 Please clarify when 'typically within a week' starts (Section 2.2.4): upon receipt of request from RVO? What is the time	Within a week refers to a calendar week upon receipt of a request from RVO.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		period allowed for by the GT contractor for 'timescale that does not cause delay to the laboratory work' (Section 2.2.9)? Please confirm that 'no later than 3 days of request' refers to working days (Section 2.2.9).	
43.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 23, Section 2.2.5 Please confirm that review of results of any laboratory tests on ecological samples and water samples will be excluded from the IGM scope of work.	Confirmed. The review and/or interpretation of the ecological soil and water samples will not be part of the GM Contractor scope.
44.	Number of workshops on CPT predictions (SOW 2.2.15)	Please clarify the number of workshops anticipated to discuss progress and preliminary findings for the CPT predictions and correlated measurements (SOW section 2.2.15).	The Tenderer is requested to price for the expert meetings and workshops as per the Annex 4a and 4b quantities (Section 2 'Other'). The meeting quantities are indicative for the total of meetings and workshops as part of the SoW.
45.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 28, Section 2.2.10 Please confirm that correlation and integration of age dating results and SGR data will not be required for the final geological ground model, if one of these data sets is not available at the time of the interim version of the geological ground model.	Age dating and SGR result incorporation is required for the final GGM. Flexibility will be allowed if results are not available in time for the interim GGM.
46.	Frequency of lab test deliveries	Please confirm the frequency of the laboratory test deliveries (e.g., weekly, monthly, one week after test completion, other).	During the seabed phase laboratory test results will be delivered final as indicated in Annex 4a/4b. Test results will be available in PDF and digital format during release of the draft report for information for the GM contractor. During the downhole investigation laboratory testing, the Geotechnical Contractor is requested to provide monthly deliveries of test data accompanied by a technical note outlining the test types and quantities.
47.	Annex 6 - V- Scope of work	Annex 6 Scope of work Page 38, Section 2.2.18 Please clarify which 'prior work packages' are referred to.	The inputs are listed as all subsequent sections from 2.2.1 to 2.2.17.
48.	Penalties	There appears to be a difference between the report list with liquidated damages/penalties between the Annex 6 IVa/b	There is indeed a discrepancy between the Annex 4 and Annex 6 IV documents. The items in Annex 4a and 4b are prevailing over the items

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		and Annex IVa/b documents. Please confirm which has highest rank.	listed in Annex IVa/b. In addition, the L/D dates stated in Annex 4b were reviewed and updated. For clarity, the following L/Ds apply for Annex 4b: - 2g Provision of final location plan for seabed investigations (Seabed CPT, SCPT, BC, Vibrocores) - 3e Delivery of Final Report Geological Ground Model - 3i Delivery of Final Geotechnical Interpretation Report (excluding interpretation of cyclic test results) - 3m Delivery of Final Cyclic Test Results Interpretation Report - 3q Final Report Integrated Ground Model
49.	Payment schedule	The payment schedule is linked to reports which implies that the bulk of the financial compensation will be at the end of the project. As a consequence, there will be long periods during which the Contractor is not compensated for the work performed. Would it be possible to link the 2 payment to the draft Geological report?	The Tendering Authority appreciates the concern raised by Tenderer. The payment schedule in Paragraph 3 in Annex 6 IVa and IVb will be overruled by the following payment milestones percentages: - 1st bullet point: 15% to be replaced by 25% -2nd bullet point: no changes -3rd bullet point: 25% to be replaced by 20% -4th bullet point: 33% to be replaced by 28% -5th bullet point: no changes.
50.	Clarification extension request	Please consider an extension to submit questions and clarifications to the tender.	After careful consideration, we have decided to grant your request. The Question round was reopened until the 22nd of June, and we have provide answers to the submitted questions by 1st of July. To clarify there won't be a second round of Q&A after the 1st of July.
51.	Tender Document F:	PQP shall include "Calibration and checks of use of numerical models" Does the Contracting authority has any specific procedures in mind, what are obligatory? Model-to-model calibration/ model-to-data calibration?	Tendering Authority cannot comment on specific procedures and consider the development of those to be a part of the IGM work. Consider that the IGM and reporting document will be subject to a certification process, and examples can be found from other project sites.
52.	Nederwiek Geophysical Survey details	Please provide more details on the geophysical survey for Nederwiek Noord, with respect to schedule, contractor, survey specifications (source/receiver configurations), preliminary processing workflow, and the likes.	Tenderer Authority can access details of the Geophysical scope of work by accessing the following website: https://www.tenderned.nl/aankondigingen/overzicht/269527/documenten . The tender is awarded and executed by Fugro Netherlands Marine B.V. Further details, such as processing workflows, are currently not available but will be shared when available to the winning Tenderer.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
53.	Offer	The bid may include one or two lots for this tender. Is it possible for a bidder to submit multiple bids as each interaction/synergy may lead in a different content of the offer for a given lot depending on whether it is processed individually or in conjunction with the other lot?	According to the provided information, it is not permissible to submit an offer that combines or includes a conjunction of two lots. Each lot should be treated as an independent entity, and bidders should ensure that their bids for each lot are distinct and separate.
54.	Extension request	Dears we kindly ask for an extension of the deadline of 2 weeks. Unfortunately we have intercepted the opportunity just few days ago and we are strongly interested in participating to the Tender. We would appreciate a lot your understanding.	Not accepted.
55.	Annex 6 - Section IV Remuneration	"Annex 6 - Section IV Remuneration Lot 1 Hollandse Kust (west) VIII, lists that penalties are linked to delivery of 3g Final Report Geological Ground Model, 3o Delivery of Final Cyclic Test Results Interpretation Report, 3u Final Report Integrated Ground Model. This is different from what is listed in Annex_4a_Delivery_Dates_&_Prices_HKWVIII_F and Annex_4b_Delivery_Dates_&_Prices_NWN_F. Can we assume that the reports listed in the Annex are the ones to follow?"	Please see the answer to question 48.
56.	Cyclic lab tests	Please confirm that the cyclic test report can be delivered after the IGM report	It is anticipated that the final cyclic test report will be delivered after the interim IGM. The delivery of the final IGM is anticipated to be after delivery of the cyclic test report.
57.	Laboratory testing strategy, Milestone	Regarding "2.2.4 Laboratory Testing Strategy, Milestone: Document outlining laboratory testing strategy (LTS for Lot-2). CONTRACTING AUTHORITY will appoint the execution of the laboratory testing". Can RVO confirm that this is GT-Lot-2?	The laboratory scope associated with the seabed and downhole geotechnical scope will be assigned by the Tendering Authority. GM contractor is request to provide quality assurance for both the Geotech Lot 1 and Lot 2.
58.	SI schedule	Please confirm that the Geophysical and Geotechnical Site Investigation is scheduled for Q3-Q4 2023.	For HKW8 the geotechnical investigations for the seabed phase is completed and lab works are ongoing. The downhole phase is scheduled for Q4 2023.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
			For NWN the seabed phase is scheduled for Q1 2024. The downhole phase is scheduled for Q2 2024. For HKW8, no additional GP investigations are planned. For NWN, the GP investigation is scheduled for Q3-Q4 2023.
59.	SOW - Laboratory Test Schedule and Specifications	The setup of this section is that GT is responsible to fill out the test specifications and that CONTRACTOR is responsible for instructing GT how to fill out the test specification and to review that GT had filled out the test specifications as intended. Since evaluation of field data against the ground model is SOW for the CONTRACTOR and laboratory testing is SOW for GT, we propose the following workflow: "Milestone: Preparation of Laboratory test Specifications after fieldwork completion of each geotechnical test location. Upon completion of each geotechnical sampling location the CONTRACTING AUTHORITY, through input from the GT, will provide a detailed sample list, containing sample recovery, storage conditions, detailed soil descriptions in accordance with ISO 19901-8. CONTRACTOR will prepare laboratory test schedules based on GT's detailed sample list and CONTRACTOR's laboratory strategy and location prognosis sheets. A review of the schedule by GT will be requested by the CONTRACTING AUTHORITY. Once the schedule is reviewed and approved, GT can commence testing activities." We believe that this will significantly reduce the number of iterations between GT, CONTRACTING AUTHORITY and CONTRACTOR, simplify the interface of communicating the goal of each specific test, reduce additional communications and time delays due to mismatches between the laboratory test strategy and the insufficient recovery of suitable test specimens, etc.	Thanks for your suggestion, for this tender the Tendering Authority will retain the proposed interface structure as outlined in the SoW. For future tenders your suggestion will be considered.
60.	Annex 6, SoW 1.3.1	Section 1.3.1 in SOW Annex 6 states: "The target depth of the geotechnical survey will be 60 m BSF. The depth of	Please see the answer to question 37.

Nr.	Subject	Question	Answer
		interest for the IGM will cover the seafloor to approximately 100 m depth BSF." Please clarify what data CONTRACTOR is expected to use for the depth range 60-100 m BSF.	
61.	Annex 6-V Scope of Work - 2.2.7	In section 2.2.7 there are 200 age dating samples estimated, which contradicts the 100 estimated stated in Section 2.2.5. Could you please confirm the number of estimated age dating samples?	The estimated number is 100. This number is approximate and may be adjusted if the geology warrants additional or a reduction in testing.
62.	Annex 6-V Scope of Work - 2.2.19	Who will appoint the independent verifier?	Tendering Authority will appoint the independent verifier.
63.	Annex 6-V Scope of Work	It is expected that the information of site investigation of nearby windfarms will be provided as final deliverables and hence all the comparisons and correlations to nearby windfarms will be done using publicly available data. In essence it is not expected that the Contractor will have to reprocess raw data from other nearby sites, either in part or in full, for any of the activities in the scopes of works. Can this be confirmed?	There is no requirement for the reprocessing of raw data from other sites, however it may be beneficial to consider this data as part of the GM work.

- End of Memorandum of Information -