

**Additional information for the Procurement of Consultant services for External Technical Assistance
on Procurement matters 2010 (RFP09-206)**

23 March 2010

No	Questions	Answer
1	In the case of email submissions, would you acknowledge receipt of both the technical and financial proposals upon receipt?	Upon receive both Technical and Financial proposals, we will acknowledge the receipt of proposals and will also confirm if technical proposal can be opened properly
2	In the case of email submissions, would you still require 1 original and 3 copies of the proposals as suggested in this section?	No
3	We hereby confirm we shall be bidding for this assignment. After bid opening, would it be possible for you to inform us the names of all the applicants on request?	After the bid opening, a status of bid opening will post in MRC website which all bidders could easily to access and check
4	In the evaluation criteria no. 5, “professional of the proposal”, in the case of a firm applying, do we take it that this refers to the qualifications of the key professional staff proposed for the assignment? If not, please let us know what is required for this criterion?	This criterion is more related to the overall logical structure and presentation of the proposal. In addition to the physical presentation of the proposal, we would like to see the linkages between the analysis of the TOR, proposed methodology and pool of resources to meet our target
5	Paragraph (b) indicates that both the technical and financial scores would be used to determine the winner. Would you please clarify further whether the selection method applicable here will be <i>Quality and Cost Based Selection</i> or would it be <i>Least Cost Selection</i> .	QCBS
6	The URL provided gave a broken link: http://www.mrcmekong.org/tenders/MRC-Final-Report05-05-09-AudAID-Proc.pdf Would you please email us a copy of this report?	The link has been repaired

26 March 2010

No	Questions	Answer
1	When is the expected date that MRC will notify those who have submitted proposals about the outcome of the tender selection process?	Notification of award will be done within 3 weeks after the deadline of bid submission.
2	What is the earliest possible date that contracts can be in place in order for the services to commence? ie. is it feasible for a consultancy team to commence this TA in May 2010?	To be feasible, we would say early of June 2010 taking into account time required for contract negotiation & signature.