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For the provision of a needs assessment and scoping study to how public procurement can be a driver of innovation in the Commonwealth

Project Number:	Reference	Name/	Public procurement as a driver for innovation in the Commonwealth
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Responses to clarification questions submitted to the Commonwealth Secretariat

Question: Can more detailed answers, attached separately, be provided?

Response: All materials submitted with the proposal will be considered. The bidder is welcome to submit more detailed answers and information outside of the boxes 'insert your answer here' and evidence such as attachments, links to resources/websites etc. In these instances, it is suggested to provide a brief summary in the relevant response box and reference to the attachments, links etc.

Question: Has the Secretariat already identified the diverse subset of Commonwealth countries for inclusion in the study or will the selected bidder identify this group in collaboration with the Secretariat?

Response: At this stage the Secretariat has not agreed upon the diverse subset of Commonwealth countries for inclusion in the study. The successful bidder would work with the Secretariat to agree on the list of countries. In establishing the list of countries the Secretariat would most likely require representation of countries from each [Commonwealth region](#) and representation in terms of socioeconomic and development challenges facing Commonwealth countries.

Question: Are there any restriction against the submission of a quotation by an individual expert?

Response: There are no restrictions on individual experts to submit an RFQ proposal.

Question: Are there any nationality restrictions for participation in this process?

Response: consideration will be given to candidates who have a good understanding of and familiarity with the Commonwealth of Nations.