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Framework contract for support to the implementation of water systems accounting (resource and quality)

Questions:

- a) When creating a consortium, is a simple letter of intent signed by each partner enough?
- b) Must each entity fill in the identification sheet and declaration on exclusion criteria?
- c) What is the purpose of the Specific Contract (annex to the Draft Framework Contract)?

Answers:

- a) If economic operators rely on capacities of other economic operators (either in order to form a consortium – section III.1.3 of the contract notice – or to subcontract) the commitment of these other economic operators to make their capacities available must be proven by means of (a) letter(s) of intent (of whatever form).
- b) According to section III.1.3 last sentence each member of the group (= consortium partner; not: subcontractor) must fulfill the conditions for participation mentioned in point III.2 and hence sign the declaration on exclusion criteria and complete the identification sheet.
- c) The Specific Contract (ANNEX III of the Framework service contract) is a standard contract to be used for implementing the contract.