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Clarification No 7 for open call for tenders:

Framework service contract(s) for the provision of GMES Initial Operations 2011-2013 Land Monitoring Services: High Resolution land cover characteristics of 5 main land cover types (6 lots)

Reference number: EEA/SES/11/004

Question 1:

With reference to the footnote No 46 on page 28 of the tender specifications, could you please specified which of the following statements shall be taken into account:

- (a) The average price units for verification and enhancement tasks will be applied to $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total area of a lot, or
- (b) The average price units for verification and enhancement tasks will be applied to 100% of the area of a lot

Answer 1:

The total value of the contracts estimated at EUR 6.000.000 over a maximum period of 36 months and covering all lots, is based on the assumption that tenderers will have to execute verification and enhancement tasks for approximately $\frac{1}{3}$ of the total area of the EEA39.

Question 2:

With reference to section 11.3.1 of the tender specifications, Award criterion No 6, third indent, providing that "all test areas shall be provided together with a printout at scale 1:50.000 of the final product, and together with the corresponding satellite images", is it acceptable to provide the printout maps as PDF file at 1:50.000 scale on digital media (DVDs)?

Answer 2:

Tenderers may submit the test areas as PDF's on DVDs provided that this does not require any changes to any kind of settings (e.g. standard paper formats, colour settings, etc...). If tenderers choose this format option, they shall accept the resulting quality of the paper copies produced with the colour printers used at EEA as it is.

Question 3:

With reference to section 6.2.7 of the tender specifications (page 18 of 38), it is stated that the ground resolution for RapidEye imagery will be 20m: "RapidEye: VNIR, ortho-rectified using national projections, 20m ground resolution (ca. 10.000 images)". Nevertheless, RapidEye products have 5m resolution: http://www.rapideye.de/products/ortho.htm. Is this an error or are you providing a special product with 20m resolution?

Answer 3:

All satellite images will be delivered through the ESA GMES Data Warehouse. Therefore data will be delivered as described in the specifications of the ESA GMES Data Warehouse Portfolio (DAP), to which a reference is included in the tender specification, and ESA is providing a special product with 20m resolution.