



Cook Islands Investment Corporation

Request for Quotes – CIIC Consultancy Panels

Reference CIICRFQ03

NOTICE NO. 2

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No	Question / Query / Amendment	Response / clarification / Change
1	<p>5. Panel Arrangements</p> <p>In the RFQ it states the following: <i>Primary consideration is to be given to the Panel categories set for Cook Islanders.</i> Does this mean we will be marked down for not being located in the Cook Islands?</p>	<p>Marking/scoring will only apply when assessing Proposals received for a particular project/work package – see <i>Process</i> section, pg 21, item g.</p> <p>When formulating the scope of services or considering direct engagement, the Principal will take into consideration a number of factors (bullet points in the <i>Work allocation factors & performance monitoring</i> section) applicable to the project/work package. Where a project/work-package can be successfully delivered by Panelists in categories set for Cook Islanders, those Panel categories will be invited to submit Proposals or a selection made from those categories for direct engagement.</p>
2	<p>A5 Client References</p> <p>Do you require us to ask our referees to fill out the form or just to identify them?</p>	<p>The Client References forms (A5) must be completed in full as they provide essential information for the Assessment/Evaluation process. The nominated referee or the Respondent may complete the form(s) however, the information provided must be accurate and may be verified at the discretion of the Principal / Evaluation Team.</p>
3	<p>A5 Client References</p> <p>Can Referees be current employers, i.e. internal referees?</p>	<p>For Tier 1 and 2 submissions, referees must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • former or current clients, or • former employers. <p>For Tier 3 submissions, referees must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • former or current employers, or • former or current lecturers.

Ensure to acknowledge receipt of this notice in A1 Form of Quote.