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ADDENDUM: (Tender No: 2025-08-071)

Assignment Name: *For the Microsoft HCI Hyperconverged Infrastructure Deployment Services for the Central Election Commission of Ukraine*

Addendum No. 01

This Addendum No. 01 is issued to modify information provided in the **Tender: No: 2025-08-071** issued last 09 August 2025.

1. The following information in the Annex D1.1 Tender Notice and Request for Proposals should be modified:

Section 2.3 Requirements

- Certificate in any form signed by an authorised person of the Bidder, confirming that the Bidder has employees with the appropriate qualifications, who have the necessary knowledge and experience to perform the services provided for in the Technical Requirements and will be involved in the performance of the contract, indicating the name, position, availability of a valid certificate (according to the list below). The certificate shall be signed by an authorised representative of the Vendor (Cisco / IBM/ VMWARE / Microsoft / Lenovo).
- Bidders must demonstrate proven experience in the development of computing infrastructures, data storage systems (DSS), corporate software-defined networks (SDN), and the deployment and configuration of modern Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) systems.
- The Bidder has
 - at least 1 (one) employee with a valid CCNA - Cisco Certified Network Associate certificate;
 - at least 1 (one) employee with a valid CCNP Security - Cisco Certified Network Professional certificate;
 - at least 1 (one) employee with a valid IBM Certified Administrator - QRadar SIEM certificate;
 - at least one (1) employee with a valid IBM Certified Analyst - QRadar SIEM certificate;
 - at least 1 (one) employee with a valid VMware Certified Professional Network Virtualisation certificate;
 - at least 2 (two) employees with a valid Microsoft Certified: Windows Server Hybrid Administrator Associate certificate;



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- o at least one (1) employee with a valid Lenovo Certified Data Centre Technical Professional certificate or other similar Lenovo certificate for working with ThinkSystem/ThinkAgile server solutions.

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in disqualification of a bidder. **~~No subcontracting is allowed under this solicitation~~**

2.The following information should be added in the Annex D1.1 Tender Notice and Request for Proposals:

2.6. Financial Proposal

The price broken down in fee (showing unit rates and input) and incidental expenses likely to be incurred. The Bidder must act in accordance with their country's tax laws as it relates to providing services to customers/clients. The Bidder shall be responsible for their own tax obligations as per the laws of the respective country. Prices should be stated including tax if it is applicable. The assessment of financial proposal will be based on the total overall fee you will put in this bid.

The prices shall be provided without and with VAT. **International IDEA requests that all prices be quoted in EUR in order to avoid exchange rate conversions and subsequent adjustments.**

To enable comparison of prices between bidders, the breakdown provided will be adjusted in proportion to the lowest number of days proposed by a bidder.

3. The deadline for the submission should be extended:

3.1. The following information should be changed in the Annex D1.1 Tender Notice and Request for Proposals:

General Information Section

Deadline for Submissions: Proposals must be submitted on or before 23:59 (CET), **19 September 2025**. Late submissions will not be considered for evaluation.

Clarifications may be requested via e-mail **no later than 5 September 2025** at the above email address. Note a response to a request for clarifications will be issued to all tenderers on our



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website <http://www.idea.int/>. Therefore, tenderers are advised to check the website regularly during the process.

3.3. The following information should be changed in the Annex D1.1 Tender Notice and Request for Proposals:

Section 1 General information

- 1.4 Tentative timeframe: It is anticipated that the services will commence on **1 November 2025** and they will have to be completed before **28 February 2026**.