

**PROCUREMENT OF CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE  
CONDUCT OF THE BCDA 2023 PLANNING SESSIONS**


**Bid Bulletin No. 1**

This Bid Bulletin clarifies queries sent via email, 19 December 2022, relative to the bidding for the aforementioned project.

ISSUES/CONCERNS RAISED	CLARIFICATIONS
<p>Your minimum qualifications exclude 100% foreign owned businesses from participating even if they are already accredited by the Civil Service Commission. In all my dealings with the Philippine government, this is an unusual restriction.</p> <p>Does this restriction apply to all your potential suppliers?</p>	<p><b>NO.</b> This requirement only applies to foreign owned entities. As stipulated in the Terms of Reference (TOR) item 1.1 in V. Minimum Qualifications of the Consultant, the minimum requirement is a duly licensed Filipino citizen or a sole proprietorship.</p> <p>We would like to clarify that non-Filipino Consultants are eligible to join this bid under item V.1.5 of the Terms of Reference (TOR), Minimum Qualifications of the Consultant, provided they form a joint venture, i.e., a group of two (2) or more persons/entities that intend to be jointly and severally responsible or liable for a particular contract: Provided, however, that Filipino ownership or interest thereof shall be at least sixty percent (60%). For this purpose, Filipino ownership or interest shall be based on the contributions of each of the members of the joint venture as specified in their joint venture agreement (JVA).</p>

This Bid Bulletin shall be considered an integral part of the Bidding Documents for the Project. All other related provisions in the Terms of Reference and Bidding Documents correspondingly affected by the issuance of this Bid Bulletin are likewise deemed amended to conform to this Bid Bulletin.

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