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**Embassy of Sweden in Lusaka - Framework contract for audit service (UM2017/26312/LUSAKA)**

Questions and Answers

1. Based on the audits performed under the previous framework contract, please may you let us know which other Sub-Saharan countries were audits performed in?

*The Embassy acts bilaterally and through the European Union as well as within the United Nations. The Embassy also acts regionally in almost all Sub-Saharan African countries with the SRHR team.*

1. Based on the audits performed under the previous framework contract, what proportion of audits were performed in Lusaka?

*That differ from year to year. During the previous framework contract 60% of the audits was done in Zambia and 40% was done in Sub-Saharan African countries.*

1. Based on the audits performed under the previous framework contract, can you clarify what proportion of  all audits conducted were for fees > 150 000 SEK and thus tendered through renewed competition ?

*Previous contracts did not have renewed competition.* We estimate that about 40% of the audits will be below 150 TSEK.

1. Can you advise who are the existing framework contract holders?

*Moore Stephens and EMM Corporate Partners.*

1. Can you clarify whether, for this opportunity, you are seeking to work with only local firms domiciled in each of the specific countries where grants have been awarded or whether you are interested in / see scope for the participation of experienced firms based in the EU who are also used to working in these and similar countries?

*We want to work with audit firms that have experience from Zambia and Sub-Saharan African countries.*

1. How many hours have you calculated in the tender?

*Yearly budget volume will be 2-4 MSEK.*

1. How many projects is estimated that need to be audited?

*We don’t know how many projects that need to be audited*.

1. Is there an overall budget for the Agreement as such?

*See answer 6.*

1. Does all the auditing have be done in Lusaka?

*See answer 2.*