



Your offer will be assessed for compliance with the tender specifications before its assessment against the award criteria.

Tenders do not comply with the tender specifications and will be rejected if they:

- ☐ do not comply with minimum requirements laid down in the tender specifications;
- ☐ propose a solution different from the one imposed;
- ☐ propose a price above the fixed maximum set in the specifications;
- ☐ are submitted as variants, when the specifications do not authorise them;
- ☐ do not comply with applicable obligations under environmental, social and labour law established by Union law, national law and collective agreements or by the international environmental, social and labour law provisions listed in Annex X to Directive 2014/24/EU³⁵ and compliance with data protection obligations resulting from Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and Regulation (EU) 2018/1725³⁶.

The grounds for rejection is not linked to the award criteria so there is no evaluation. The tenderer will be informed of the grounds for rejection without being given feedback on the content of the tender other than on the non-compliant elements.

2.6 AWARD CRITERIA

Tenders will be evaluated against the below award criteria. The award criteria serve to identify the **most economically advantageous offer**.

A) QUALITY AWARD CRITERIA FOR EACH LOT

QUALITY AWARD CRITERIA FOR LOT 1: Development of roadmap for action on building a European partnership for next generation, systems-based environmental risk assessment

1. UNDERSTANDING OF THE ASSIGNMENT AND TASKS REQUIRED (max. 35 points - minimum threshold 60% i.e. 21/35 to pass minimum quality threshold for this criteria)

This is intended to assess the extent to which the offer demonstrates a clear understanding of the assignment and project objectives covering all the aspects of the technical specifications.

The tenderer should:

- Describe how they propose to provide the services described in the technical specifications and to perform the work necessary for achieving the objectives requested in this open call;

³⁵ OJ L 94 of 28.03.2014, p. 65

³⁶ Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC, OJ L 295/39 21.11.2018, <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32018R1725&from=EN>