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Question #14:
According to Section 2.2.4 of the Tender Specifications, the maximum duration of the contract is 1 year with the possibility of renewal up to 3 times. Does this mean that at the end of the 1 year insurance period we can negotiate renewal terms for the next year?

Answer:
Please refer to Article I.2.4 of the Draft Framework Contract. It follows from this provision that renewal “does not change, postpone or defer of any existing obligations” and, therefore, it is not possible to negotiate renewal terms for the next year.

Question #15:
Can the insurer terminate the contract at the end of each policy year?

Answer:
Please refer to Article I.2.4 of the Draft Framework Contract, according to which each party may prevent the automatic renewal of the FWC for additional 12 months by a formal letter sent to the other party at the latest three months before expiry of the on-going duration of the FWC.

Question #16:
In Article II.12.2 of the Draft Framework Contract the grounds provided for termination by the Contractor are quite limited. Are these termination grounds referring to terminating the contract mid-yearly or are they the only reasons the contractor can terminate?

Answer:
Article II.12.2 of the Draft Framework Contract provides grounds for termination by the Contractor at any time during the duration of the FWC in line with the procedure laid down in Article II.12.3.

Each party is however entitled to refuse renewal of the contract (see above).

Question #17:
According to Section 4.6.2 of the Tender Specifications, an executive summary should be included in the technical proposal of the Tenderer. What exactly is expected from this summary?

Answer:
The executive summary should contain the essential elements of the tenderer’s technical offer. Such summary shall not exceed two pages.

Question #18:
Is the ceiling mentioned in Article I.4.1.1 of the Draft Framework Contract the annual limit per person per year desired by the GSA?

Answer:
Please note that the amount of 750,000 EUR is the maximum ceiling of the FWC, which shall cover all purchases under the contract, including all renewals and reimbursement of expenses, for all insured persons.

As provided for in Section 2.2.3 of the Tender Specifications, this budget is only indicative; it will be subject to budget allocations given to the GSA.

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