

Lode Wind Park BoP Contractor tender Stage 1_ questions_answers

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Question No	Question	Date of Question received	Utilitas Response	Utilitas Response Date
1	<p>1)Can one more member be added to the initially specified Applicant's association in the second round of the procurement?</p> <p>2)Is the deadline for submitting the offer 04.03., as indicated in the documentation, or 23.02., as indicated on https://ted.europa.eu/ ?</p> <p>3)Annex I, point No. 7, states that the Applicant must submit a Letter of Confirmation that its subcontractor meets the Contracting Authority's requirements specified by the TSO (Annex No. 6). Question - can the JV indicate that one of its members is qualified to fulfill the AST requirements?</p> <p>4)The Regulations state that the documentation must be submitted in English - should the requirements of the AST Regulations and its annexes be completed in English as well? Documentations and annexes are in Latvian language.</p>	04/02/2026	<p>1)More members on Joint Venture could be added on 2nd Stage with following restrictions: a)New members can't decrease requirements from 1st Stage; b)New members must to comply to the same documents requested as for 1st Stage and documents must be submitted through Dalux Tender together with proposal on 2nd Stage;</p> <p>2)Deadline for submitting 1st Stage documents is 04.03.2026 at 15:00 EET. In TED is renewed information with deadline 04.03.2026, link: 79110-2026 - Competition - TED.</p> <p>3)Yes, Joint Venture can indicate in confirmation letter exact member of the Joint Venture who have qualification to fulfill AST requirements.</p> <p>4)Candidate in 1st Stage must submit Confirmation Letter that it have particular experience to fulfil AST requirements. Confirmation Letter must be in English language. If Candidate after 2nd Stage will be awarded to sign contract with Contracting Entity and AST, then contract and necessary documentation with AST will be needed to be signed in Latvian language.</p>	05/02/2026
2	<p>According to the Tender Regulation, Annex I - Selection Criteria Table, criterion No. 3 Company Experience, the Tenderer shall submit references for work as a general contractor on at least one comparable infrastructure project with a total work value of at least EUR 30 million, completed in the EU/EEA during the last 5 years, including commissioning.</p> <p>We kindly ask the Contractor to confirm whether, for the purposes of complying with Selection Criterion No. 3, an Applicant may rely on a reference from a project implemented within a Joint Venture, where the Joint Venture members were jointly and severally liable for the performance of the entire contract, where the total contract value of such project significantly exceeds the minimum required threshold, and where the scope of works directly performed by the Applicant itself also significantly exceeds EUR 30 million.</p>	09/02/2026	<p>Yes — Joint Venture experience may be accepted, provided it meets the following criteria:</p> <p>1.)Proof of General Contractor role: The Contractor, as a Joint Venture member, must demonstrate that it acted as the responsible General Contractor for the relevant portion of the referenced project. Submit details of the works organized by the Contractor (type, scope/quantities, and approximate cost), and a list of subcontractors engaged (type of work and approximate contract value). Include confirmation letters from those subcontractors and a contact reference from the project Client.</p> <p>For clarity, the Contracting Entity requires evidence that the Contractor has General Contractor experience and can coordinate the Lode Wind Park project. The Contractor must also show it will provide a dedicated on-site team with General Contractor experience to manage the entire project (not only specific works such as roads, foundations, or electrical).</p> <p>2.) The Joint Venture member's scope of work on the referenced project must be at least EUR 30,000,000.</p> <p>3.) Location and timing: The referenced project must have been completed within the EU/EEA in the last five years.</p>	11/02/2026
3	<p>We ask UTILITAS WIND to review and change point 7B of the qualification requirements regarding experience in the construction of a 330kV substation to 110kV substation. Only a few companies in Latvia have experience with 330kV substation construction, which significantly narrows the competition. Also, taking into account that 330kV substation experience is available to a very small group of companies, the AS Augstsprieguma tīkls requirements allow to demonstrate experience from 110kV capacity, which is also a high-voltage network. (see AST requirements in Annex VI).</p>	10/02/2026	<p>The Contracting Entity cannot change point 7B of the qualification requirements.</p> <p>The electrical scope—particularly the 330 kV substation—is the most critical and safety-sensitive element of the wind park infrastructure. Defects or deficiencies in substation construction or integration may only become apparent during testing or commissioning and can cause substantial delays and additional costs. For this reason, Candidates must demonstrate experience in constructing 330 kV substations.</p> <p>For qualification purposes, the Contracting Entity considers relevant 330 kV experience to include work on a 330 kV or higher-voltage substation and/or switchyard, including associated grid connections at 330 kV or higher with related equipment, site area, auxiliary structures, buildings, and engineering works intended for electricity transmission or distribution.</p> <p>Replacement of individual equipment items, work limited to 330 kV transformers or medium-voltage busbar bridges, and routine repair or maintenance activities shall not be considered construction or reconstruction of an energy supply facility.</p>	11/02/2026
4	<p>1.)In order for the Supplier to comply with Annex I. Selection Criteria Table, point 3 "Company Experience", can the Supplier rely on the experience of a subcontractor whose experience in a similar infrastructure project includes - road, foundation or other infrastructure works? Also, confirm whether the experience of such a subcontractor can be relied on as a subcontractor and there is no need to sign a Joint Venture (JV) Agreement? Since the Supplier itself has experience in implementing similar infrastructure projects, only of a smaller scale, it wants to use a subcontractor to meet the requirements;</p> <p>2.)Would the Supplier comply with Annex I. Selection Criteria Table, point 5 if its employees, the project manager and the construction manager, had carried out work in a similar infrastructure project in which the scope of work included the construction of cable lines between wind turbines (14 units) and the construction of a transformer substation with a transformer. At the same time, earthworks, installation of building structures, installation of external electrical networks (communications, protection, etc.) networks were also carried out?</p> <p>3.)Also, in order for the Supplier to meet the qualification requirements of AS "Augstsprieguma tīkls" in Annex No.VI, paragraph 2.4, for specialists, can the Supplier rely on subcontractors registered in Latvia and is it sufficient to sign a consent/declaration to perform the work together in the event of concluding a contract, or is it necessary to sign a Joint Venture (JV) Agreement with subcontractors who will perform certain works and meet the qualification requirements of AS "Augstsprieguma tīkls"?</p>	10/02/2026	<p>1.) If a particular subcontractor has General Contractor experience as defined in Annex No.1, point 3, that experience may be accepted. The parties must submit an agreement, signed by authorized representatives of both companies, confirming that a Joint Venture will be formed before signing a contract with Contracting Entity if the Candidate is awarded the contract.</p> <p>2.) Annex I – Selection Criteria Table, Point No. 5 (Project Manager and Site Manager Professional capacity)</p> <p>The required professional capacity and experience of the Project Manager and Site Manager may relate to general construction works, road construction works, or electrical construction works.</p> <p>In order to comply with the experience requirements, the following conditions shall be met:</p> <p>A.) The referenced project shall have had a minimum contract value of not less than EUR 10,000,000.</p> <p>B.) The project shall have been implemented in the capacity of General Contractor. Where the contractor performed the works as a subcontractor under a General Contractor, the Candidate shall provide documentary evidence and contact details demonstrating that it was directly responsible for a specific part of the project with a contract value of not less than EUR 10,000,000.</p> <p>C.) The proposed Project Manager and Site Manager shall have acted as the responsible specialists for the respective referenced project.</p> <p>3.) The Candidate must provide a confirmation letter naming the specific subcontractor and stating that the subcontractor possesses the necessary qualifications and complies with the TSO's contractor requirements. The Candidate must also provide a confirmation letter from that subcontractor stating it will be ready to sign a contract if the Candidate is awarded the tender. Formation of a Joint Venture is not mandatory; the Candidate may instead present a signed subcontractor agreement if awarded the contract.</p>	16/02/2026
5	<p>We note that Annex VI is attached to the Procurement Documentation. We kindly ask you to confirm that the requirements set out in Annex VI will be applicable/required to be fulfilled only after contract signing (execution).</p>	17/02/2026	<p>Yes, the contract with TSO (AST) will become applicable and must be fulfilled only after the contract with the Contracting Entity has been signed.</p>	20/02/2026
6	<p>Please confirm that to meet the requirement in Annex I. Selection Criteria Table, point 3 "Company Experience" we can rely on the experience of the JV partner as a main contractor, whose scope of work is roads and/or foundations?</p>	17/02/2026	<p>Yes, the Candidate may rely on the experience of a JV partner acting as the main contractor, whose scope includes roads and/or foundations, and which meets the total work value of EUR 30 million completed within the EU/EEA during the last five years, including commissioning.</p> <p>Please note that if the Candidate (JV) is awarded and signs the contract with the Contracting Entity, the JV partner on whose experience the qualification was based must act as the General Contractor during the construction phase.</p>	20/02/2026
7	<p>In Stage 1, is it necessary to submit Annex I together with qualification/supporting documents that prove the tenderer's experience and capabilities?</p>	19/02/2026	<p>Yes, Annex I must also be completed, including the column titled "Tenderer's Response/Supporting Evidence/Reference (must be filled by Tenderer)", and submitted together with the qualification documents.</p> <p>In particular, this column must clearly indicate how and where the required qualification documents can be found, so that the Contracting Entity can easily locate and review all relevant documentation.</p>	20/02/2026
8	<p>One more question Annex I - 7 point B can the Supplier have experience in carrying out works Experience with 330kV substation construction works for example in another country than Latvia? Will such a proposal meet the TSO requirements for point B?</p>	20/02/2026	<p>Annex 1, Point 7 B does not require compliance with TSO requirements. The requirement to have experience in 330 kV substation construction works is set by the Contracting Entity. Experience in 330 kV (or similar depending on country) substation construction works gained outside Latvia will be accepted.</p>	24/02/2026
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