



[05/08/2026]

[CT2274/2026 - Services - Tender for the Implementation of a Fully Compliant European Digital Identity Wallet (EUDIW), Supporting Trust Ecosystem and use cases for the Malta Digital Innovation Authority (MDIA)]

Clarification Note # [04]

To all prospective bidders

Reference is made to the above-captioned tender for which the deadline for submission of offers is **[24/09/2026]** at **[09:30am]**.

Please find a set of clarifications which are construed to form an integral part of the tender document.

Question No. [01]: *Request for Extension of Tender Submission Deadline*

Dear Sir/ Madam,

We kindly request a short extension to the tender submission deadline to allow sufficient time to finalize our proposal and ensure the highest quality submission. We would greatly appreciate your consideration and look forward to your positive response.

Kind regards,

Answer No. [01]: Please refer to the Clarification Note # [02].

Question No. [02]: *Request for Extension of the Tender Submission Deadline*

Dear Sir/Madam,

We would like to thank the Malta Digital Innovation Authority for launching this strategic procurement initiative, which represents an important milestone in the implementation of the European Digital Identity Wallet ecosystem.

Having carefully reviewed the tender documentation, we note that the procurement encompasses a comprehensive end-to-end solution combining highly complex technical requirements with a detailed commercial and pricing proposal. Preparing a compliant and competitive offer requires

the coordinated involvement of multiple technical, legal, financial and commercial experts, as well as contributions from consortium partners and specialised subcontractors.

The current tender period largely coincides with the summer holiday season, during which the availability of key personnel across Europe is significantly reduced. This affects not only economic operators but also technology partners, certification bodies and local stakeholders whose input is necessary to prepare high-quality and fully compliant proposals.

In this context, we respectfully request that the submission deadline be extended by four (4) weeks.

Such an extension would:

*allow bidders to prepare more robust and comprehensive technical and financial proposals;
facilitate the participation of a broader range of qualified economic operators and consortiums;
enhance competition and ensure the Contracting Authority receives the highest quality offers;
ultimately contribute to achieving the best value for public funds.*

We believe that a five-week extension would not materially affect the overall procurement timetable while significantly strengthening the competitiveness and quality of the tender process.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and remain at your disposal should any further clarification be required.

Yours faithfully,.

Answer No. [02]: Please refer to the Clarification Note # [02].

Question No. [03]: Request for Extension of Tender Submission Deadline
Procurement Team,

Given the scale, complexity and strategic importance of this procurement, we respectfully request an extension of the submission deadline by four (4) weeks.

This request is based on the following considerations:

The tender requires the preparation of a highly comprehensive technical and commercial proposal covering multiple specialised domains, including digital identity, trust services, PKI infrastructure, cybersecurity, legal compliance, mobile application development, operations and long-term support.

The proposal demands the involvement and coordination of several expert profiles and partner organisations, as well as the collection of extensive supporting documentation and evidence.

A significant portion of the preparation period falls within the month of August, when many key subject matter experts, technical resources and decision-makers are on pre-planned summer leave, reducing the availability of critical personnel required for the preparation of a high-quality and fully compliant submission.

We therefore kindly request that the deadline for submission of tenders be extended by four weeks, to 01 October 2026.

We appreciate your consideration of this request.

Thank you,

Answer No. [03]: Please refer to the Clarification Note # [02].

Question No. [04]: *Extension for Submission Deadline*

In view of the complexity of the required response, it would be appreciated if the Contracting Authority can consider a one (1)-month extension to the submission deadline for this tender.
Thanks

Answer No. [04]: Please refer to the Clarification Note # [02].

All other tender documents, conditions and requirements, which are not superseded by this clarification remain in place.

Department of Contracts