

ROADS AUTHORITY

RESPONSES TO BIDDER REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

Procurement Reference: SC/RFP/RA-06/2026

Bidder: Element Consulting Engineers | Request dated: 8 October 2026

Roads Authority responses are shown in red.

RFP Ref	Subject	Clarification Required (Bidder's Question)	Roads Authority Response
ITC 1.6	Conflict of interest	Could the Employer please indicate if there are any consultants/subconsultants that may be employed currently/in future by the Employer for the purpose of this project, which would effectively make them unavailable to associate with now as subconsultant? We are intending to use Mr Gerrie van Zyl as specialist subconsultant, but are aware that he frequently acts in an advisory/specialist role for the Employer. If the Employer intends to also use Mr van Zyl for this project, then it would obviously create a conflict, in which case we will not use him to allow the Employer to have access to his expertise.	The Roads Authority confirms that the proposed specialist subconsultant may be included in the bidder's proposal, subject to compliance with the conflict-of-interest provisions under ITC Clauses 1.6 to 1.6.4 of the bidding document. Any actual or potential conflict of interest must be disclosed. Previous or existing advisory engagements with the Roads Authority do not, in themselves, constitute grounds for disqualification, provided that no prohibited conflict of interest or unfair competitive advantage exists.
Data Sheet 5.2(c)	Bidding eligibility	Under item 1, Evaluation, it is stated that bidding eligibility is limited to bidders incorporated and registered in Namibia, who are wholly owned by Namibian citizens. Under subitem 1.2, Legal Compliance, row 1 & 2, the above limitation appears to apply to JV partners. Does the 'Namibian citizen' limitation also apply to subcontractors?	The eligibility requirements for bidders and joint venture partners under Data Sheet Clause 5.2(c) remain unchanged. Regarding personnel proposed by the Consultant, including personnel supplied through subconsultants, for each lot, a maximum of one (1) proposed individual may be a non-Namibian citizen. All remaining personnel proposed for that lot must be Namibian citizens. This limit applies separately to Lot 1 and Lot 2. This clarification concerns the nationality of proposed personnel and does not impose the bidder/JV ownership requirement on subconsulting companies.