

MK:U International Design Competition

Stage 1 Question and Answer Log Vol. 1
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Question number	Enquiry	Response	Date
1	I am from Iran.Can I take part in the competition?	Please check whether sanctions would enable you to travel and be paid for the work should you be successful.	30-Jan-19
2	I don't have any team and I am alone for taking part in this competition,so is it possible?	The competition is for the procurement of multi-disciplinary teams. It is therefore not advised that individuals enter.	30-Jan-19
3	We have seen the OJEU notice for the design competition and were wondering if there is due to be an tender opportunity for Project and Cost Management Services?	Project and Cost Management services will be procured separately by MK:U at a later date.	31-Jan-19
4	I saw the contract notice for the above competition and noticed that acoustic consultancy would be required at stage 2. Can I ask where you will be releasing the award notice for stage 1 as then I can try to approach the winner and offer our services?	The shortlist is anticipated to be announced in late March 2019.	31-Jan-19
5	Our Office could be interested on taking part in the international competition, although it's not clear the scope of work for the phase 2, to be more precise, what should we produce for the fase two? can you be more specific on the amount of work?	In stage two of the competition, competitors will be required to produce the outputs as identified on pages 21-27 of the draft Competition Conditions, available to download from the competition website: competitions.malcolmreading.com/mku .	01-Feb-19
6	Please can you clarify from the statement on page 53 of the Search Statement under 'Eligibility', that INDIVIDUALS rather than COMPANIES would not be able to participate in the Design Competition if they fell under the conditions noted below.	As stated in the Eligibility section on page 51 of the Search Statement document, 'Associates, employees and direct family members of employees of MK:U, Cranfield University, MKC, MKDP are [...] ineligible to enter the competition.' Companies who employ a person who falls under that description are eligible to enter on the condition the conflicted individual does not participate in the procurement process. Please note that the individuals should be noted under the required conflict of interest declaration.	01-Feb-19
7	I noted with interest that you are putting together a team to deliver this exciting new venture and wondered if it would be possible to be considered for the provision of QS services for this project....or whether you could advise of the procurement route for this service?	Please see response to Q3.	02-Feb-19
8	Is the entry of this competition free?	Yes, the competition is free to enter.	04-Feb-19

9	Concerning Bidding model - does the authority intend to contract all consultants directly or is the preference that the design team is either a project specific legal entity or that one company subcontracts the others?	As stated on page 54 of the Search Statement, 'It is anticipated that MK:U will enter into a bespoke contract with the lead consultant, who will sub-contract all other consultancies.'	05-Feb-19
10	Concerning Insurance - are you expecting each member of the design team to carry the same level of insurance or just the lead company? We are based in Norway and currently do not carry the level of cover requested although we know it is not an unusual requirement in the UK market. If we were to be successful we would be able to acquire the insurance necessary of course.	The insurance levels apply to all members of the design team. Please note that at this stage, competitors need only demonstrate a commitment to obtaining the insurances levels should they ultimately be successful in winning the competition.	05-Feb-19
11	Will you accept a team in which one firm leads the master plan and designs one or two of the buildings and organizes a group of leading architects to design the other buildings on the campus?	Yes, this is acceptable.	05-Feb-19
12	We note that Page 48 of the Search Statement document states "Please note that cost consultancy, project management, wayfinding, employer's agent and town planning services will be procured separately by the client." Are you able to advise how and when the above services will be procured?	Please see response to Q3.	06-Feb-19
13	Please could you clarify what is meant by "UK-based executive architect" for international teams? Is this a - UK-based registered architect / a UK architect and citizen / a UK registered firm with a consultant resisted architect / other?	The executive architect role is to support the lead design architect in the delivery of the project, and as such should be an architectural firm registered to practice, and based, in the United Kingdom.	06-Feb-19