1 Exclusion grounds

1.1 Criminal activities

A tenderer will be excluded from participation in a procurement procedure where SIWI is aware that the tenderer has been the subject of conviction by final judgement for any of the following reasons:

- participation in a criminal organization,
- corruption,
- fraud,
- terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities,
- money laundering or terrorist financing, or
- human trafficking.

A tenderer will be excluded if a person who has been subject to such conviction is a member of the administrative, management or supervisory body of that tenderer or has powers of representation, decision or control therein.

Evidence: By submitting the Tender (annex 2), the tenderer confirms that it is not in any of the situations above.

1.2 Other irregularities

A tenderer will be excluded from participation in a procurement procedure where SIWI is aware that the tenderer is in any of the following situations:

a) where it has been established by a final judicial or administrative decision that the tenderer is in breach of its obligations relating to the declaration or payment of taxes or employer contributions;

b) where it can be demonstrated by appropriate means that the tenderer is guilty of a violation of applicable obligations in the fields of employment, environmental, labour or social law.

c) where the tenderer is bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where its assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended, or it is any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under national laws and regulations.

d) where it can be demonstrated by appropriate means that the tenderer is guilty of grave professional misconduct.

e) where a conflict of interest cannot be effectively remedied by other less intrusive measures.

f) where the tenderer has been guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required as a condition of participation in the procurement procedure or has withheld such information.

g) where the tenderer has undertaken to unduly influence the decision-making process, to obtain confidential information that may confer upon it undue advantages in the procurement procedure or to negligently or wilfully provide misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or the award of contract; or
h) where the tenderer is included on a procurement debarment list such as that of the World Bank, the European Development Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the African Development Bank Group, the Asian Development Bank or the Inter-American Development Bank.

**Evidence:** By submitting the Tender (annex 2), the tenderer confirms that it is not in any of the situations above.

### 2 Selection criteria

#### 2.1 Capacity to perform the contract

The tenderer **must** prove that it has the capacity needed to perform the contract in accordance with the following selection criteria.

The Tenderer may rely on the capacity of other Tenderers, regardless of the legal nature of the link which it has with these entities.

**Evidence:** If the tenderer intends to rely on the capacity of other parties, the tenderer **must** provide evidence proving that the tenderer will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing a clear undertaking on the part of those parties to place those resources at the tenderer’s disposal.

#### 2.2 Legal capacity

The tenderer **must** have the legal capacity required for the performance of the contract.

**Criterion 1:** The tenderer **must** be incorporated in accordance with the laws of its country of establishment and be registered with the competent authority, provided that such registration is required in the tenderer’s country of establishment. A Swedish tenderer **must** be registered with the Swedish Companies Registration Office.

**Criterion 2:** The tenderer **must** be registered to pay all applicable taxes (e.g., income tax, pay-as-you-earn, employee contributions, value added tax or similar taxes or charges), provided that such registration is required in the tenderer’s country of establishment. A tenderer established in Sweden **must** be approved for F-tax and be registered for value added tax (VAT).

**Evidence:** The tenderer **must** include the tenderer’s organisation number and VAT identification number, or equivalent numbers used in the tenderer’s country of establishment.

#### 2.3 Economic capacity

The tenderer **must** have the economic capacity required for the performance of the contract.

**Criterion:** The tenderer **must** have at least risk class 3 with UC AB or an equivalent risk class with another credit reference agency.

**Evidence:** SIWI may examine the economic capacity of the tenderer by ordering a credit reference from UC AB or another credit reference agency. The tenderer **must** have a risk classification of at least risk class 3 with UC AB or an equivalent risk class with a similar credit reference agency.
2.4 Technical and professional capacity

The tenderer must have the technical and professional capacity required for the performance of the contract.

**Criterion 1:** The tenderer must have extensive experience of carrying out assignment such as that envisioned here.

**Evidence:** The tenderer must provide a description of at least two (2) assignments relevant to the intended framework agreement and a **reference for each assignment**. The description of the assignments must include the following:

- scope of work,
- start date and completion date, and
- name and contact details of the client.

2.5 Insurance

The tenderer must have appropriate insurance coverage.

**Criterion:** The tenderer must have appropriate insurance coverage, such as public liability insurance and professional indemnity insurance or comparable insurance and retain this insurance for the duration of the agreement.

**Evidence:** the tender must include a description of relevant insurance policies held by the tenderer. SIWI may request to see certificates of insurance or similar as evidence of insurance.

2.6 Quality assurance system

The Tenderer must have an adequate quality assurance system.

**Criterion:** The tenderer must have a quality assurance system that complies with ISO 9001 or equivalent or, if the tenderer does not have such a system, otherwise adequate internal routines in relation to quality assurance.

**Evidence:** The tenderer must provide a description of the quality assurance system applied, or, if the tenderer does not have such a system, other documentation proving it has adequate routines in place for quality assurance. A document such as a certificate or policy may be submitted by the Tenderer as evidence.

2.7 Sustainability

The tenderer must have an environmental management system or otherwise adequate internal routines for sustainability.

**Criterion:** The tenderer must have an environmental management system that complies with ISO 14001 or equivalent, or, if the Tenderer does not have such a system, otherwise adequate internal routines in relation to sustainability.

**Evidence:** The tenderer must provide a description to the environmental management system applied, or, if the tenderer does not have such a system, other documentation proving it has adequate routines in place for sustainability. A document such as a certificate or policy may be submitted by the tenderer as evidence.
2.8 Labour law and collective bargaining agreement conditions

The tenderer must adhere to the requirements of applicable Labour law and, if applicable, collective bargaining agreement conditions.

Criterion: The tenderer shall comply with the labour law requirements set out in applicable legislation and, where applicable, collective bargaining agreements.

Evidence: The tenderer must provide documentation proving its adherence to the Labour law and collective bargaining agreements upon request by SIWI.