The new IT System for managing EED grants based on Microsoft Dynamics and Power Apps for European Endowment for Democracy

New Questions and Answers to the Invitation for EOI

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This document contains additional questions posed by the prospective tenderers regarding the Invitation for Expressions of Interest ("Invitation for EOI") in a tender for a new IT System for managing EED grants based on Microsoft Dynamics and Microsoft Power Apps for European Endowment for Democracy ("EED"). EED's answers are provided. This document should be read in conjunction with the original Invitation for EOI and the Q&A documents of 19 April 2024 and of 26 April 2023, and it constitutes an integral part of the tender dossier. All the confidentiality rules apply accordingly.

Question 11:

Our CEO is trying to sign the Expression of Interest, for your project regarding "The new IT System for managing EED grants based on Microsoft Dynamics and Power Apps".

He installed NexU as asked.

Do you have a procedure of the options that needs to be used to sign?

Answer 11:

As per the information on our <u>website</u> the "Expressions of Interest and scans of requisite documents must be **signed with a qualified electronic signature** (or signatures, dependent on the legal representation of the party) **verifiable** through the European Commission's <u>Digital Signature Service</u>". EED does not indicate which system should be used for signing the documents with a <u>qualified electronic signature</u> (or signatures). The signature(s) should only be VERIFIABLE using the indicated public electronic service. It is up to the party/parties participating in the tender to choose their preferred tool to sign the documents. The preferred signature format is <u>PAdES</u>.

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