

# INVITATION TO TENDER

ECMWF/ITT/2017/262 (SECOND CALL)

## PROCUREMENT OF IT DATA STORAGE SYSTEMS

Clarifications issued on 29 April 2019

We are pleased to provide the following clarification responses to questions received:

## 1 Ref: C1\_ITT262(2)

### **Question:**

We have seen that the anticipated expenditure over the first 3 years of the contract is 5M GBP, also that in addition to technical support and installation, that ECMWF require “pre-sales technical support” and “test and benchmark facilities”.

Our question is whether it is foreseen that Professional services, related to the Storage systems, will be purchased within this framework contract, or would any such services be provided under another contract, framework or other.

### **Response:**

ECMWF expects to purchase storage related professional and maintenance service via this contract. In this context tenderers should note the third paragraph in 5.8 as this particularly applies to maintenance or professional services that might be part of the solution and provided by a third party.