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Dear Sir/Madam,

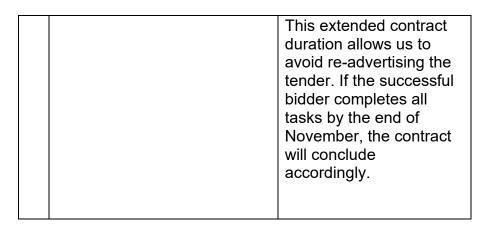
Thank you for showing interest in the above-mentioned tender. Queries received and clarity/responses are below:

We would like to start by clarifying that this is not a GIZ-led conference. The National Digital & Future Skills Conference is organized by the Department of Communication and Digital Technologies (DCDT), with GIZ, through the Digital Skills for Jobs and Income (DS4JI) project, supporting the event management component. While GIZ plays a supportive role, it does not participate in the department's decision-making regarding the conference.

	Query	Response
1	Conference Venue:	The venue has not been finalized. However, the department has indicated that the conference will either be in Mpumalanga or North West provinces, with Mpumalanga being the preferred option.
2	Time Constraints:	We acknowledge your



		concern about the limited time for organizing the conference. We have advertised the tender prior to some decisions being finalized by the department in order to address time constraints. Rest assured, we will move swiftly to finalize the tender process once it closes, giving the successful bidder as much time as possible to prepare. However, we urge you to assess your capacity to work under pressure and within short timelines before submitting your bid, as some delays are outside of our control.
3	Milestones:	While the milestones provided in the tender documentation are guidelines, we are flexible regarding the proposed dates. We are open to discussions, particularly concerning milestones 1 to 7, which will be crucial for ensuring the successful organization of the conference.
4	Contract Duration:	The contract is set for six months to mitigate potential risks. For example, the department may decide to move the conference from November to December.



Please do not include your price proposal for this measure in your technical proposal. Should you include your price proposal in your technical proposal for this measure your bid will be disqualified hence the request to separate the two.

Kind regards Procurement Team