

**OPEN INVITATION TO TENDER****AO/DSI/GKO/Globalisation and VET/011/15****The impact of Globalisation on Vocational Education and Training****Request for Clarification (1) – Questions & Answers****Question No 1**

Within the ToRs/Ch.2.6.1 and more specifically in the part referring to the “Design and implement empirical research to generate evidence on the effect of globalization in national VET provision/ i) Comparative analysis in fifteen countries”, the contractor “is recommended to use a combination of standardised surveys and in-depth interviews (p.19). Since the required methodology clearly focuses on in-depth interviews, we kindly ask you to clarify the actual meaning of “standardised surveys”. In other words, is the contractor recommended to proceed in quantitative research (i.e using questionnaires) as well? If not, what does this specific recommendation concern in terms of the methodological strategy and the relevant tasks?

Cedefop’s answer to question No 1

The point you are referring to simply contains a recommendation. It is however up to each tenderer to define in the technical proposal the methodology he finds the most suitable to respond to the requirements of the call for tenders and to ensure optimal implementation of the envisaged study.