



**Request for Quotation (RFQ14/00909)
Networking equipment for the General Prosecutor Office
Clarification Questions and Answers
(as of 14 November 2014)**

- Q.1. Regarding ITEM 3 UTM security appliances it was solicited that 2 SFP ports to be provided. However, this is unusual for endpoints as the total bandwidth available through the required performance will not exceed the performance allowed by SFP ports (ex. 10Gbit). Moreover, SFP ports are included only in higher-end UTM devices that will dramatically increase the total cost of the network. To sum it up, this requirement is from higher-end devices and the performance requirements are from endpoint devices. As it might be a mistake please confirm that it was meant to be 2x WAN ports or these ports could be replaced with a higher number of RJ45 ports.
- A.1. *There is no mistake, 2 SFP ports are required.*
- Q.2. Though ITEM 3 stipulates that equipment should be of Unified Thread Management, no Antivirus or Web inspection performance was indicated. Could you please specify if these features are needed?
- A.2. *The specification you have mentioned is not required, however, if the proposed equipment will provide this feature, the equipment will be equally eligible.*
- Q.3. New session per second parameter is also much higher than average performance from different manufacturers for endpoint devices. Could you please confirm if more than 4000 new sessions per second is justified, as this as well will replace endpoint devices with higher-end, hence much more expensive solution.
- A.3. *The number of new sessions is reduced to at least 4,000 new sessions. A corresponding amendment to RfQ is posted on competition`s webpages.*
- Q.4. Please indicate if it is necessary to make the wiring of patch panels in the racks.
- A.4. *No. The rack will be mounted/installed in the allocated place and any wiring works will be done inside of the rack only*
- Q.5. Please indicate the level of the equipment configuration and list the needed works and activities.
- A.5. *The scope of RfQ is to provide switches and routers, which should be configured and integrated into the network used currently by the Prosecution Service offices. Most probably this work will be done in cooperation with CTS. More details will be provided to the selected vendor.*
- Q.6. Item 4. Router/Firewall (Type 2). Please advise if requirement Processor: ASIC is critical and no alternative are welcome.
- A.6. *The ASIC processor was a requirement from the beneficiary institution. However, if you can provide an alternative with the same characteristics, it would be advisable to specifically reflect why the proposed alternative would be eligible.*
- Q.7. Please advise if a Bidder can submit alternative offers (more than 1 offer).
- A.7. *You can submit more than one bid. The evaluation will be done taking into account the "lowest price out of technically qualified".*