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Responses to questions received for Small Business Lending Website RFI (EXE14101SML_BUS_SIT):

1. Does the State of DE have a list of participating lending institutions who are intended to be a part of this website, as described in the RFI? If so, how do we get a list?

There is not a list of participating lending institutions intended to be a part of this website.

2. Is there a defined specification of the approved or preferred interface(s) that these institutions would like to receive the completed application from the website user? If so, can we get a copy of the specification?

There is not a defined specification of the approved or preferred interface. Respondents are encouraged to propose a suitable interface.

3. Is there an approved template that will be used which will define the fields in the 'simplified common application' intended to be used by the website participants? If so, can we get a copy of it?

There is not an approved template at this time. It is envisioned that the contents of the template would be developed at a later time.

4. Is there a list of partner educational organizations that the State of DE intends to use for this site to provide education content, as described in the RFI? If so, can we get a list of the organizations and how they intend to provide content to this site?

There is not a list of partner educational organizations at this time.

5. The educational content requirement for the website, who is the provider & reviewer of that content? In other words, is the vendor only responsible for building a mechanism so the content can be posted on the website or in addition to building that mechanism, the vendor is also responsible for compiling relevant content, links etc & getting them posted on the website?

It is envisioned that the vendor would not be responsible for compiling relevant content. Ideally content would be able to be posted to the website by program staff.

6. Whether companies from outside the USA can apply for this?

Yes.

7. Whether we need to come over there for meetings?

The RFI does not require on site participation in meetings.

8. Can we perform the tasks (related to RFP) outside USA?

The advertisement is for an RFI and will not result in an awarded contract. There are no restrictions in the RFI that would limit proposals to only work performed in the USA.

9. Can we submit our proposals via email?

The RFI requests two printed copies and one electronic copy. However, in lieu of the printed copies, the Lt. Governor's office will accept a vendor's proposal sent via email. If choosing to proceed in this manner, please send in PDF format to: robert.scoglietti@state.de.us.