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**NOTE TO THE ATTENTION OF
ALL FRAMEWORK CONTRACTORS FWC BENEFC**

**Subject: Framework contracts "Beneficiaries"
Operating within the appropriate Framework contract and lot**

As you certainly know, EuropeAid disposes of a number of Framework contracts, the Framework contract BENEFC being one of them.

The type of actions, sectors and sub-sectors as well as the implementation rules are defined in the contractual documents.

It is important that both contracting parties respect the content and scope of each Framework contract and lot. A Specific contract concluded within a FWC or a lot, whose scope does not match the content of the action, has no legal basis.

I wish to draw your attention to audits which in some cases were accepted by the contractors of the FWC Beneficiaries whilst the audits are clearly not covered by this Framework contract but are the subject of another EuropeAid FWC. I strongly recommend you to check the correspondence between the main services requested and your lot before making an offer. It is forbidden to contract under a given lot actions falling clearly within the scope of another lot.

In order to avoid any overlap with the FWC Commission, the specific Terms of Reference sent to you may never indicate the Commission/Delegations/Task manager as the beneficiary of the services, even partially.

In case of doubt, I invite you to check and get the confirmation from the Task manager or F3 that the core sector, subject of the Terms of Reference you receive for making an offer corresponds to your lot.

(signed)

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