
E-TENDERING SERVICES

EPPS0911 - OFFLINE TENDER SUBMISSION



VERSION 2.0 – 05/15

Offline Tender Submission

EPPS0911

Purpose

Tenders can be prepared offline allowing you to work on your tender submission without having to be connected to the internet.

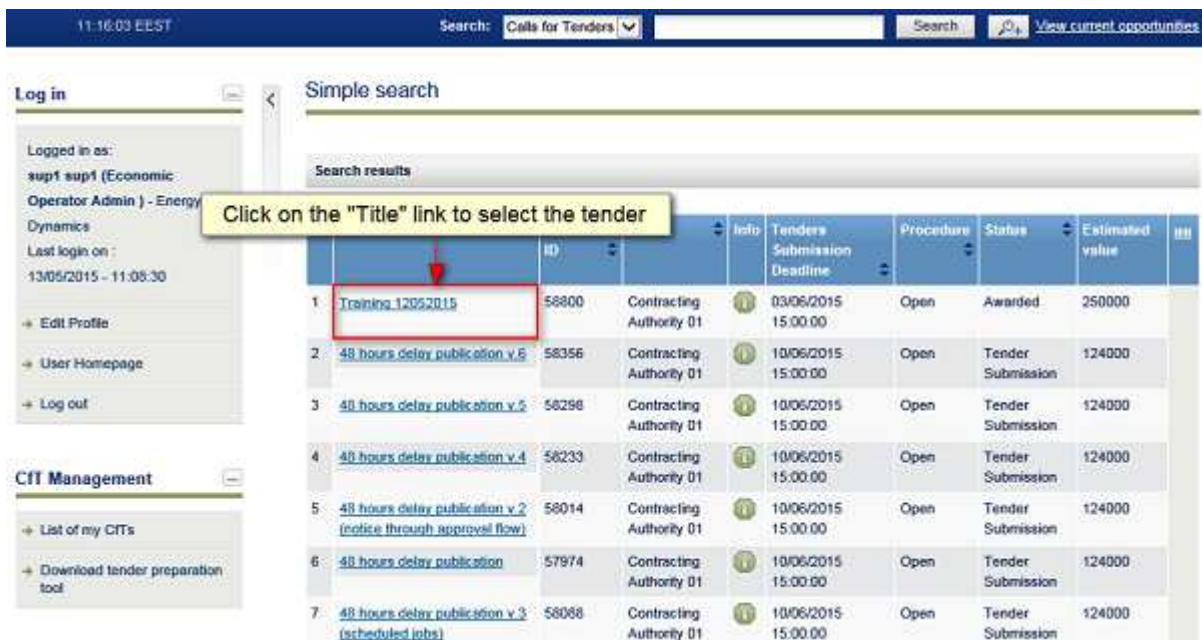
This guide details how to submit a tender document using the offline tender preparation tool made available to suppliers on the e-Tendering system. Please read this guide before responding to a tender or quotation using the offline tool.

Please contact the e-PPS Helpdesk for any technical issues. Although note that particular questions regarding the actual tender process, specifications or points of clarification should be made directly to the relevant Contracting Authority.

Prior to submitting a tender, suppliers should log in to the system and locate the tender opportunity to bid for. Use the "Call for Tender Advanced Search" User Guide for more information (**EPPS0906**)

Procedure

- Select the opportunity to bid for



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Simple search

Search results

Click on the "Title" link to select the tender

		ID	Info	Tenders Submission Deadline	Procedure	Status	Estimated value
1	Training 12052015	58800	Contracting Authority 01	03/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Awarded	250000
2	48 hours delay publication v.5	58356	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000
3	48 hours delay publication v.5	58298	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000
4	48 hours delay publication v.4	58233	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000
5	48 hours delay publication v.2 (notice through approval flow)	58014	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000
6	48 hours delay publication	57974	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000
7	48 hours delay publication v.3 (scheduled jobs)	58068	Contracting Authority 01	10/06/2015 15:00:00	Open	Tender Submission	124000

- Select the "Tender" option

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View CFT Workspace

CFT: 48 hours delay publication v.6

Tender submission deadline in (days/hours): 28/3

Buyer Organisation: Contracting

Title: 48 hours delay publication

CFT CA Unique ID: CA 01-27

Evaluation Mechanism: MEAT

Description: Mandatory

Procurement Type: Supplies

Procedure: Open

CFT Involves: A Public Contract

CPV Codes: 22000000-Printed matter and related products
24000000-Chemical products
30000000-Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages

Contact Point: lds01@delos.eurodyn.com

Publish on behalf of:

Select "Tender"

CFT core information
CFT documents
Clarifications
Tender
Withdraw EoI
Specify Alerts
Automated notifications
View CFT correspondence

- Click on "Prepare this response offline"

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CFT: 48 hours delay publication v.3 (scheduled job)

File Tools Help

25% Complete

Eligibility Criteria ☒ Technical ☐ Financial ☐

Section1

Enter some text

Completed Criteria: 1/1

Cycle 1

List of submitted Tenders (created online/offline)

#	Submitted By	Name Tender	View	DIP receipt ID	DIP submission time	TIP receipt ID	TIP submission time	TIP conformance	Status	DIP match result	Received on Time

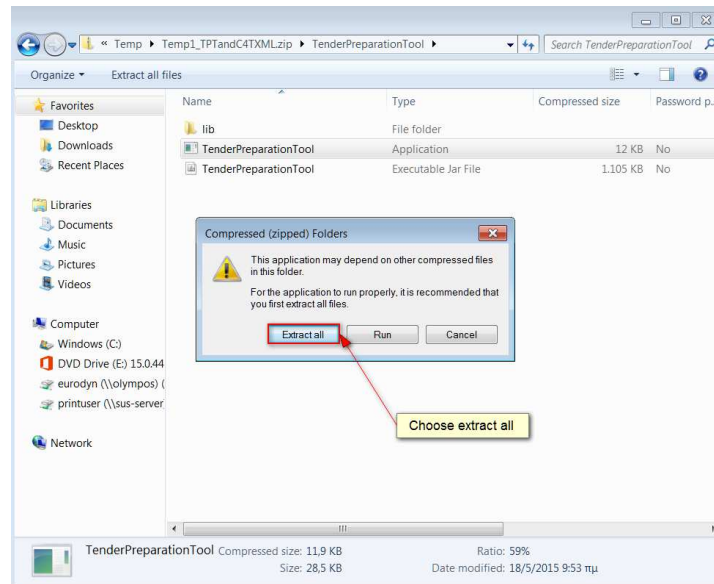
All items submitted/Hash match! Additional items will be needed
Missing item/Hash mismatch/late Submission

☐ List of draft Tenders (created online)

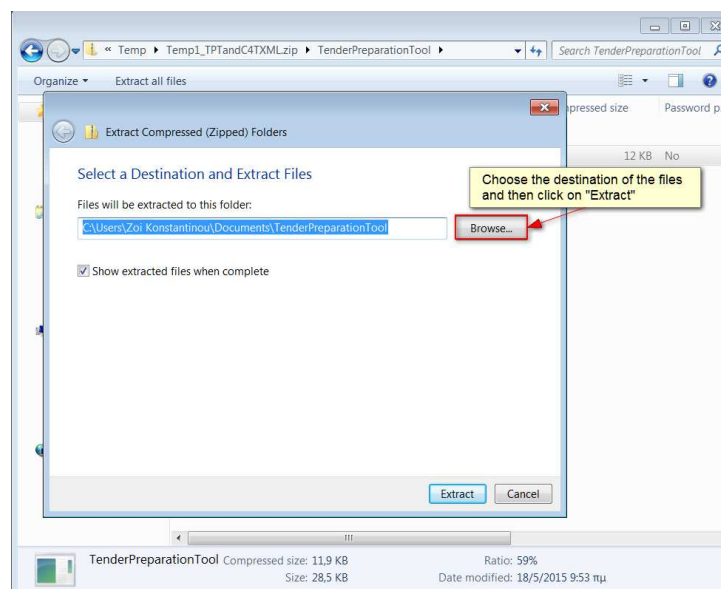
Offline tender preparation and submission:

Select the "Prepare this response offline" button

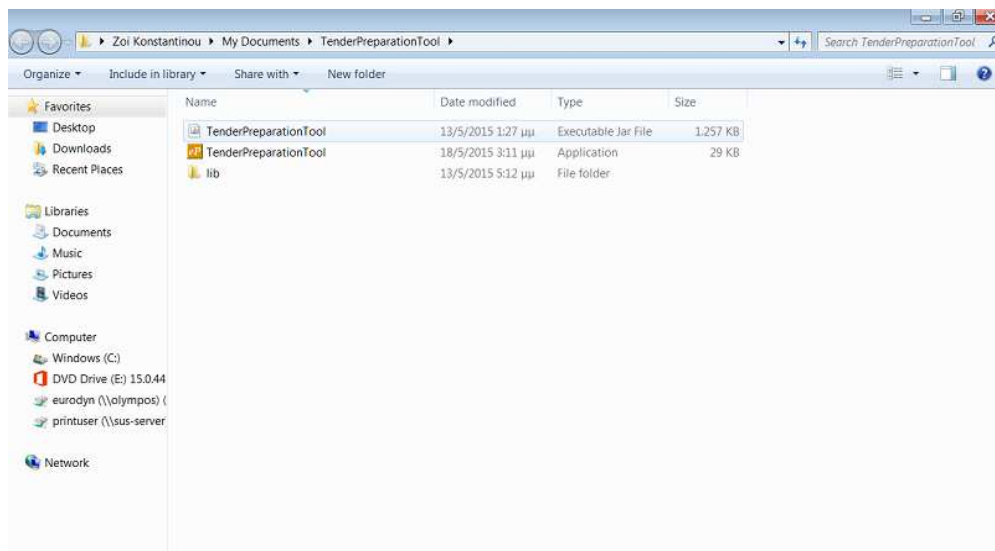
- Save the tender preparation tool and the tender file (XML format) in your local drive at a known location (e.g. "My Documents", "Desktop", etc.).
- Extract the contents of the downloaded **TPTandC4TXML.zip** file by clicking on the file and selecting "Extract All".



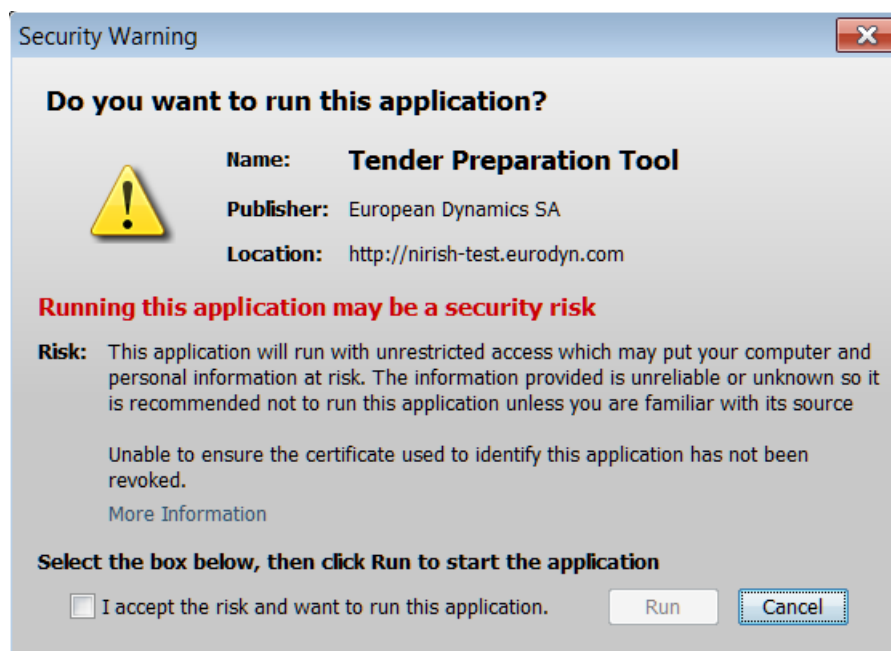
- Choose a location to extract the files and the click on "Extract"



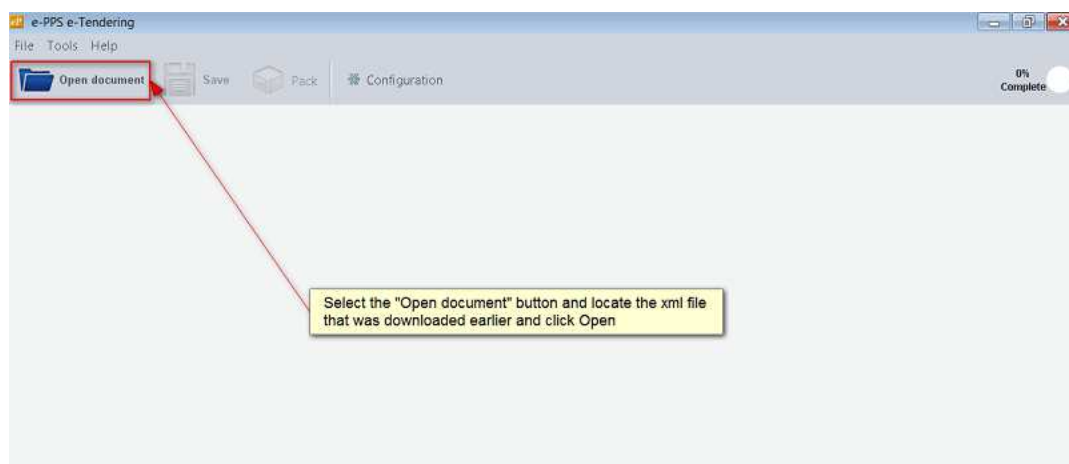
- Double click the "TenderPreparationTool.exe" file



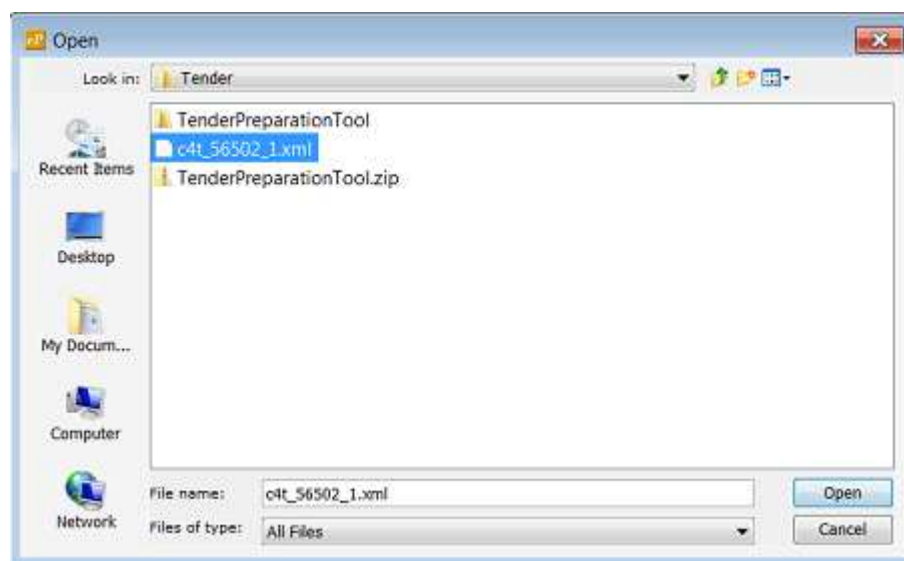
- Select "Run"



- Select the "Open document" icon to open the XML file

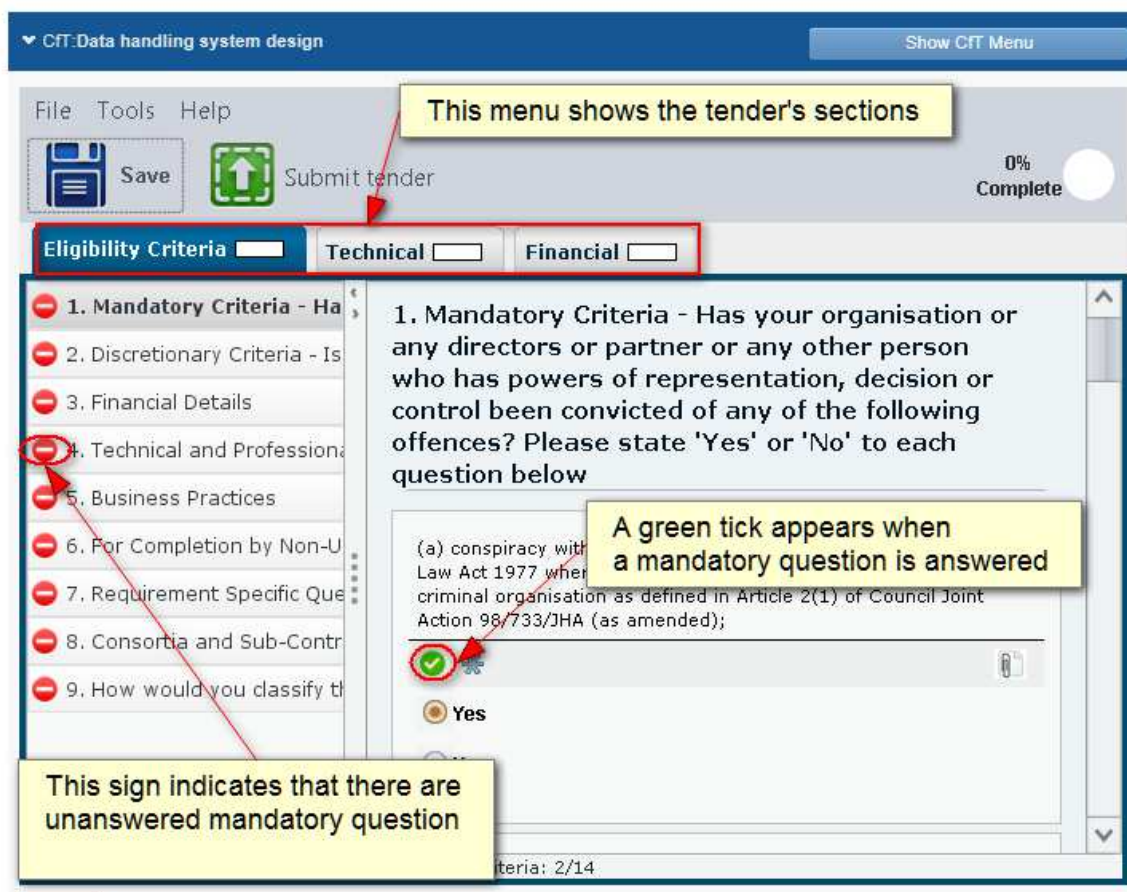


- Locate the file which is saved in the directory one level above the location of the tool



The following is a summary of the type of data that will be provided detailing the respective status of each folder.

View Tenders



The screenshot displays the 'View Tenders' interface for a tender titled 'CFT:Data handling system design'. The interface includes a menu bar with 'File', 'Tools', and 'Help'. Below the menu bar are buttons for 'Save' and 'Submit tender'. A progress indicator shows '0% Complete'. The main content area is divided into three tabs: 'Eligibility Criteria', 'Technical', and 'Financial'. The 'Eligibility Criteria' tab is active, showing a list of criteria:

- 1. Mandatory Criteria - Has your organisation or any directors or partner or any other person who has powers of representation, decision or control been convicted of any of the following offences? Please state 'Yes' or 'No' to each question below
- 2. Discretionary Criteria - Is
- 3. Financial Details
- 4. Technical and Professional
- 5. Business Practices
- 6. For Completion by Non-U
- 7. Requirement Specific Que
- 8. Consortia and Sub-Contr
- 9. How would you classify th

Criteria 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 are marked with a red minus sign, indicating they are unanswered. Criteria 4 is marked with a green tick, indicating it is answered. The detailed view of Criteria 1 shows the following text:

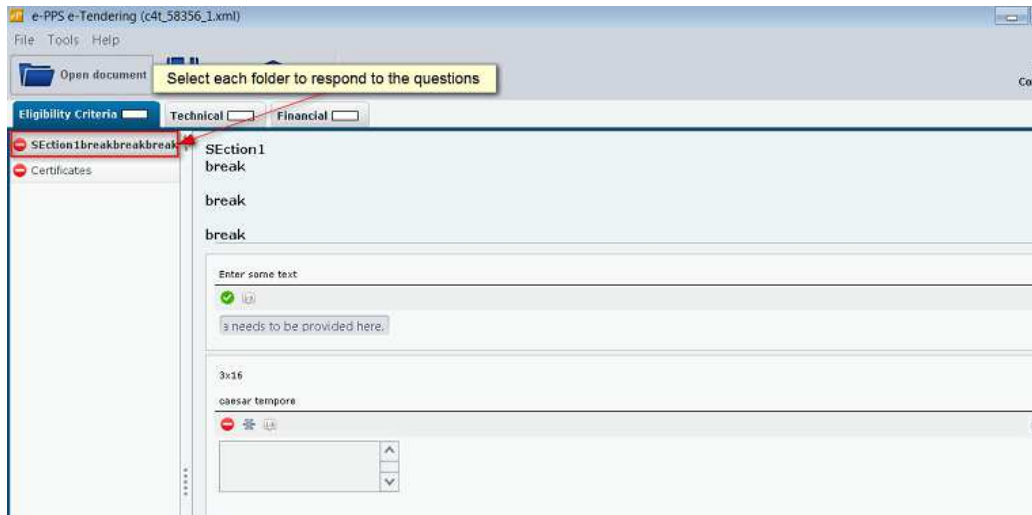
(a) conspiracy with Law Act 1977 where criminal organisation as defined in Article 2(1) of Council Joint Action 98/733/JHA (as amended);

Below the text, there are two radio buttons: 'Yes' (selected) and 'No'.

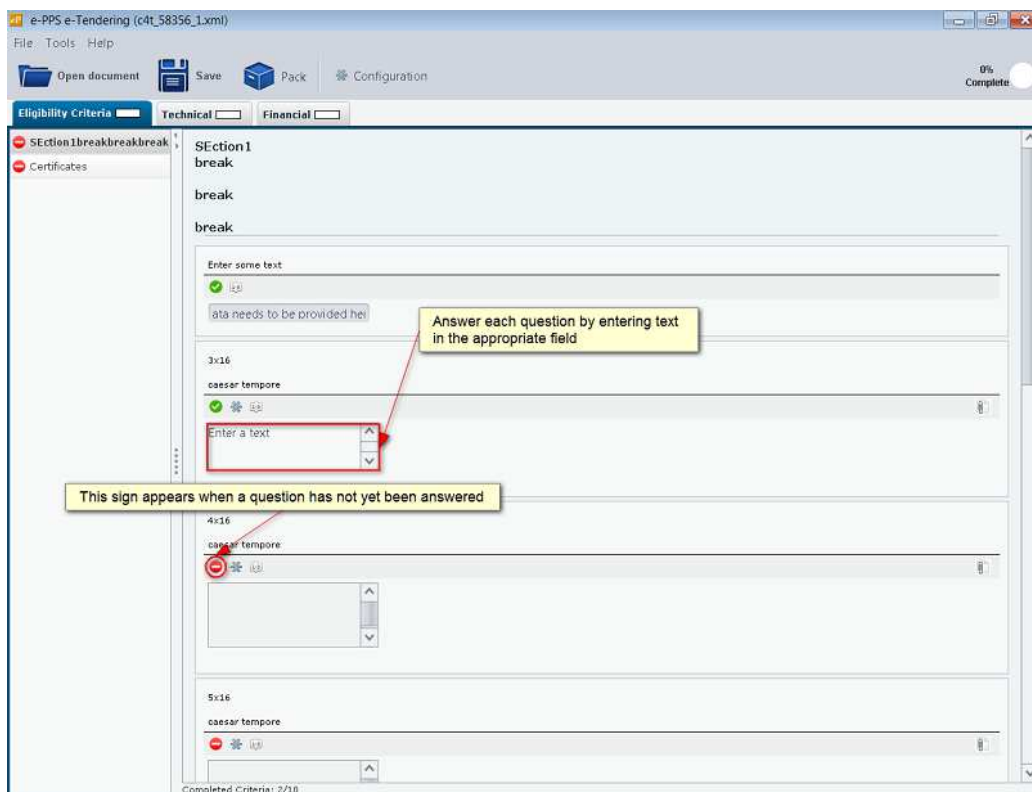
Annotations in the image provide additional context:

- 'This menu shows the tender's sections' points to the menu bar.
- 'A green tick appears when a mandatory question is answered' points to the green tick next to Criteria 4.
- 'This sign indicates that there are unanswered mandatory question' points to the red minus sign next to Criteria 1.

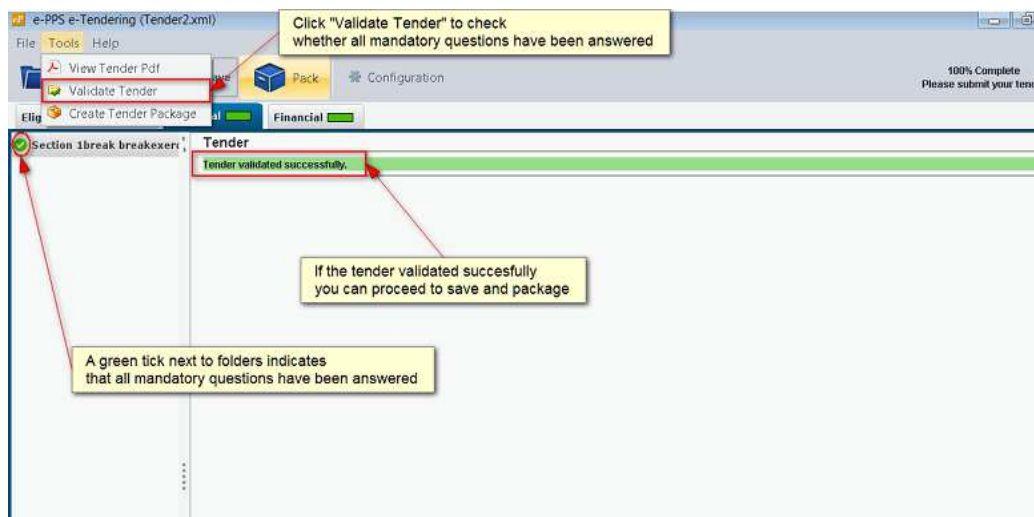
- Click on the folders to load the questions in the right side of the tender preparation tool



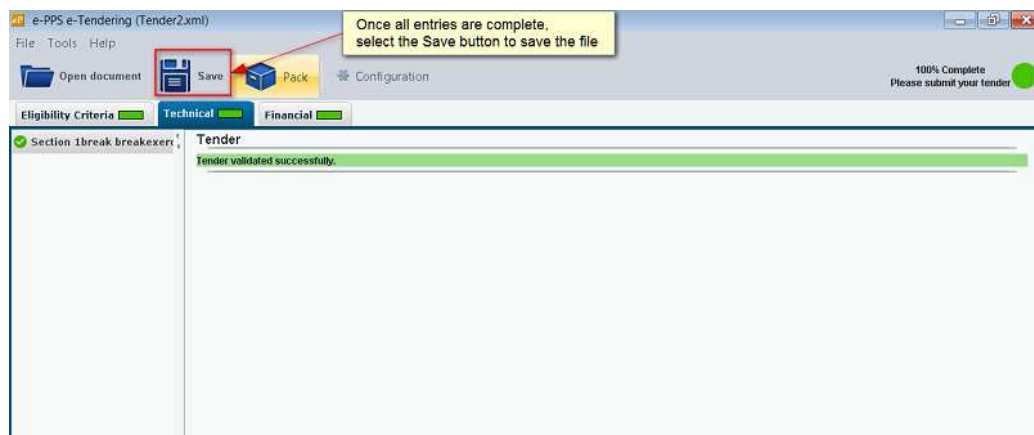
- Provide a response for all tender questions



- Once all entries are completed, click “Tools” and then "Validate" to validate your tender, as shown below.



- Click on the Save button to save the file.

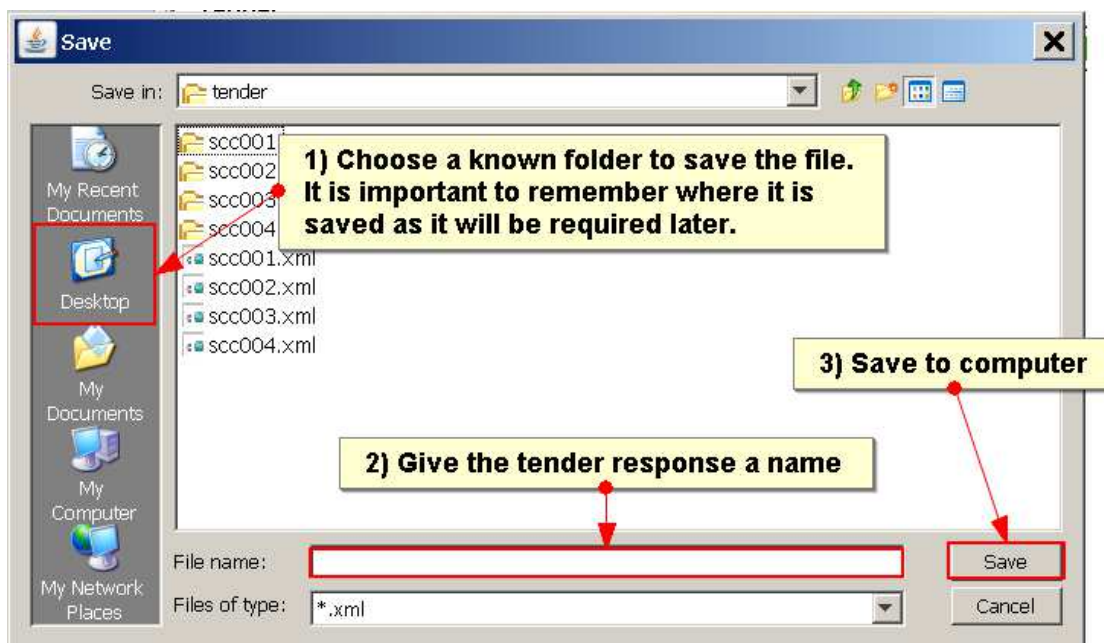


We always advise that you save a copy of your tender in a “known folder” of your PC, when using the Offline tender submission functionality. Please ensure that you **select a known folder to save your tender** (e.g. "Desktop", "My Documents", etc.). The default saving location is often a temporary folder, and if your tender is saved there, the operating system may delete it automatically.



Please be aware, that all saved draft versions are saved on **YOUR Computer** and not on European Dynamics servers. The only tender document(s) a Contracting Authority can ever see are these submitted using “Tender Package” Upload function described in the next steps of this document.

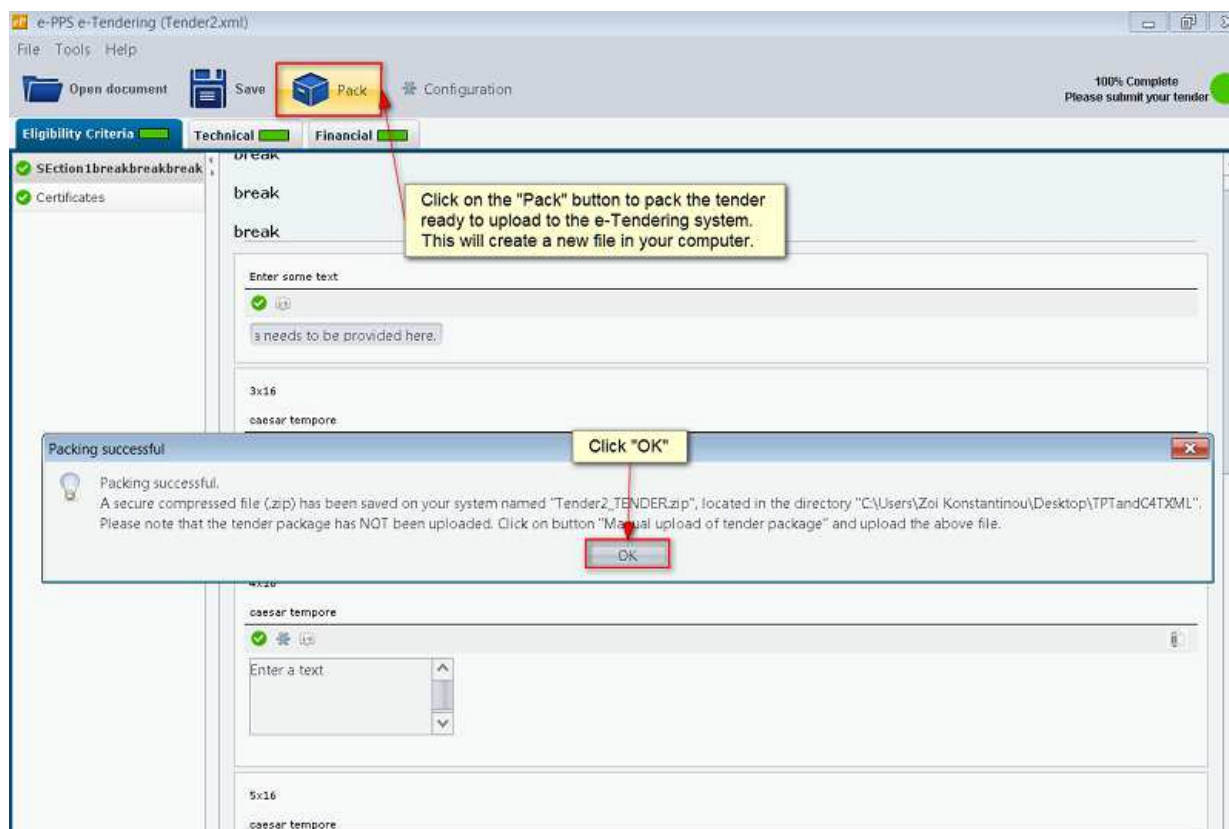
- Select the location where your response will be stored and click "Save"



Please note that the tender preparation tool prompts you to select a location where to save your tender only the first time you click the “Save” button. Thenceforward, when this button is clicked the tool will save automatically in the folder selected initially without further asking. In case you wish to save your tender response to a new location, please use the “Save as” button instead.

Follow the next steps only if you intend to submit your tender response now:

- Click the "Pack" button



- Access the "Tender" section on the e-Tendering system.

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CFT core information

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Select "Tender"

- Click on the "Manual upload of tender package" button to upload the tender package previously generated

Cycle 1

List of submitted Tenders (created online/offline)

#	Submitted By	Name	View Tender	D/P receipt ID	D/P submission time	T/P receipt ID	T/P submission time	T/P conformance	Status	D/P match result	Received on Time
<input type="button" value="Remove"/>											

☒ All items submitted/Hash match |
 ☒ Additional items will be needed
☐ Missing items/Hash mismatch/Late Submission

Offline tender preparation and submission:

Click on the "Manual upload of tender package"

- Click on the "Browse" button to upload the tender package previously generated

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Search
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Upload tender package

Please make sure that the file intended to be uploaded is the tender package created by the tender preparation tool, else you risk your tender to be rejected during the Opening phase. The filename of your tender should be in the form XXXX_TENDER.zip.
In case you have not created your tender through the tender preparation tool please consult:
- the [User Guide](#).
- the [Interactive Walkthroughs](#).
You may download the tender preparation tool from here: [Tender Preparation Tool](#).
You may download the necessary tender structure for this particular competition from here: [Tender Structure](#)

CFT:48 hours delay publication v.6
Show CFT Menu

*Locate the Tender package to upload:
[Browse...](#)

Click the "Browse" button to upload the tender package which was created earlier

IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS: Please note that this file selection you are about to perform is of utmost importance. You need to ensure that file uploaded is indeed the "Packed Tender" file created by the tender preparation tool or you risk to be rejected during the Opening phase.

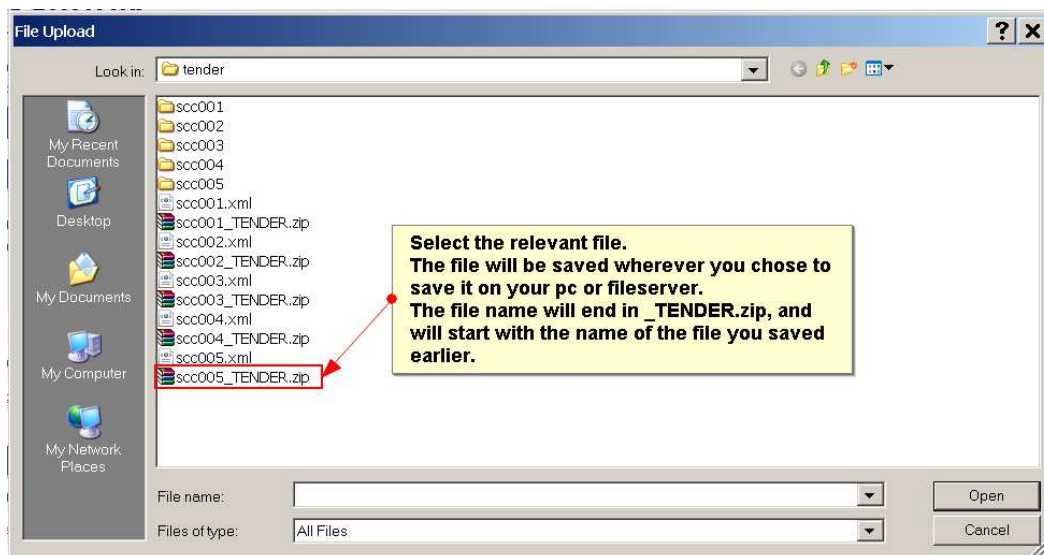
The file will be saved wherever you chose to save it on your pc or fileserver. The file name will end in _TENDER.zip, and will start with the name of the file you saved earlier.



YOU MUST SELECT THE FILE WHICH ENDS IN TENDER.ZIP.

PLEASE NOTE THAT UPLOADING ANY OTHER FILE MAY INVALIDATE YOUR TENDER RESPONSE.

- Select the relevant file.



- Click on the "Upload" button



Once the tender has been submitted it will appear in the list of submitted tenders. Please ensure that all entries have a green tick.

If any of the boxes do NOT show a green tick, there is something wrong with the tender submission. Contact the Supplier Helpdesk for assistance, as your tender response is very likely to result in a failed tender response.

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#	Submitted By	Name	View Tender	D/P receipt ID	D/P submission time	T/P receipt ID	T/P submission time	T/P conformance	Status	D/P match result
1	sup1	Tender2_TENDER.zip				000000979	13/05/2015 18:31:11			

Once the tender has been submitted it will appear in the list of submitted tenders. Please ensure that all entries have a green tick.

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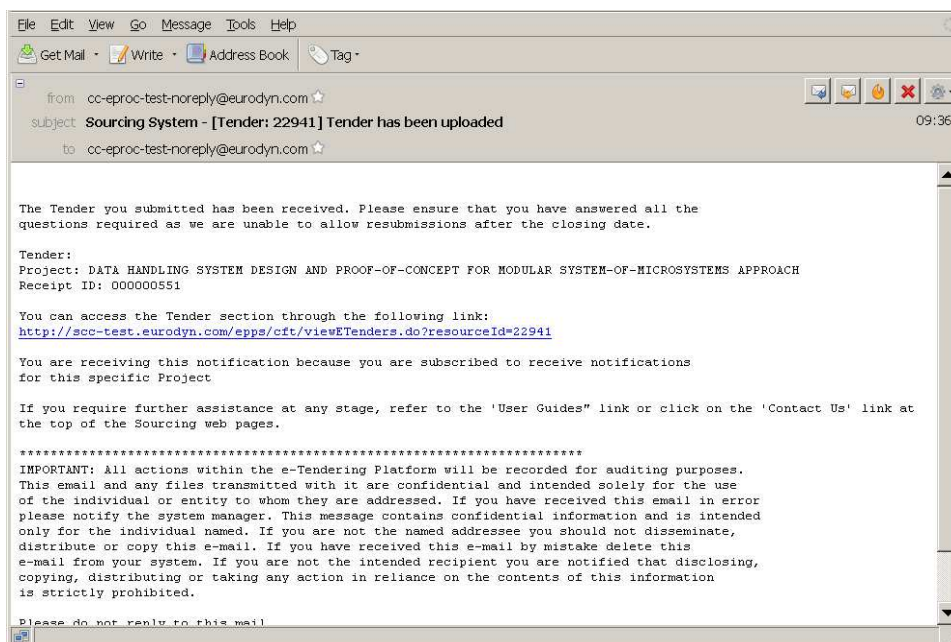
All items submitted/Hash match
 Missing items/Hash mismatch

List of draft Tenders (created online)

Offline tender preparation and submission:

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[Manual upload of tender package](#)

Once the tender has been submitted the following e-mail notification will be dispatched to your email address.





Please note that the above email notification simply acknowledges the receipt of the file you submitted on the e-Tendering system and cannot as a confirmation of a correct tender submission.

Even if the file you upload is non conformant, the automatic notification will be dispatched to your address if the file data is uploaded successfully. Please use the Conformance checks mentioned further above to confirm whether your submission was indeed correct.

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