



# ***EARTH VENTURE MISSION-3 (EVM-3)***

## **Ground Rules for the EVM-3 AO Prospective Bidders Teleconference/Webex**

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# EVM-3 AO Prospective Bidders Teleconference/Webex: Goals

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- To provide an overview of the EVM-3 AO
- To collect comments on the announcement
- To address questions



# EVM-3 AO SCHEDULE

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- AO Release Date..... November 17, 2020
- Preproposal Conference ..... December 17, 2020
- Notice of Intent to Propose Deadline..... January 12, 2021
- Electronic Proposal Submittal Deadline 11:59 p.m. EST ..... March 4, 2021
- Letters of Commitment Due (with Proposal)..... March 4, 2021
- Deadline for Receipt of Proposal through LFT 5:00 P.M EST.. March 10, 2021
- Selections Announced (target)..... November 2021
- Initiate Investigation (target)..... NLT February, 2022
- Launch Readiness Date..... NLT February, 2027, or 5 years after the contract is in place, whichever is earliest.

Additional information: <http://essp.larc.nasa.gov/EVM-3/>



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## Teleconference/Webex: Rules of the Road

- The solicitation itself is the **governing** document and takes precedence in the event of a discrepancy with any of the presentations
  - The purpose is to provide an overview of the Draft AO and any needed clarification.
  - All presentations will be consistent with the solicitation and referenced documents and web sites
  - Presenters will not modify the solicitation in any way during the teleconference/Webex, nor will they create new implied requirements with their presentations and responses to questions
- There will be opportunities for Q&A following every speaker
  - Attendees may submit written, anonymous questions (or oral non-anonymous)
  - All answers will be consistent with the solicitation
  - Speakers may answer “we’ll look into that” when responses require research or further discussion by NASA
  - All Q&As will be captured by a note taker and posted in the EVM-3 Q&As page of the EVM-3 Acquisition Homepage (<http://essp.larc.nasa.gov/EVM-3/>)
- All presentations will be posted on the EVM-3 Acquisition Homepage (<http://essp.larc.nasa.gov/EVM-3/>)



# Example Question

Q: What degree of commitment from foreign entities would be acceptable to NASA/SMD? For example, would a letter from a candidate foreign entity expressing an interest in an EVM-3 mission partnership that is conditional on proposal selection by NASA/SMD be an acceptable level of risk?

A: See Requirement 69: "Proposals from non-U.S. entities and proposals from U.S. entities that include non-U.S. participation shall be formally endorsed, through Letters of Commitment, by the responsible funding agency in the country of origin. The required elements in a Letter of Commitment for a contribution are given in Section 5.8.1. In addition to these required elements, endorsements from foreign entities shall indicate that the proposal merits careful consideration by NASA and that, if the proposal is selected, sufficient funds will be made available to undertake the proposed activity. Officials who are authorized to commit the resources of the non-U.S. funding agencies must sign these Letters of Commitment."



# EVM-3 AO Prospective Bidders Teleconference/Webex: Presentations

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- Presentations involve top level policy, process, and constraints
- This is your opportunity to ask questions on AO language, policies and processes
- Presentations and Q&A will be posted on the acquisition web site:

<http://essp.larc.nasa.gov/EVM-3/>



# EVM-3 AO Prospective Bidders Teleconference/Webex: Questions

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- Numerous questions/answers have been posted based on the prior draft EVM-3 AO. **Answers may be discussed during the Q&A session if time allows, however answers have been posted.**
- Questions submitted today will be addressed as time permits and as appropriate answers can be generated.
- Questions can be submitted until February 15, 2021
- Please **use email to submit** your questions in writing so that we may be clear in your intent and all may benefit from the answers provided.
- Please e-mail (subject line to read "EVM-3 AO") questions to  
**[kenneth.w.jucks@nasa.gov](mailto:kenneth.w.jucks@nasa.gov)**



# Disclaimer

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Any costs incurred by prospective investigators in preparing submissions in response to this Draft AO are incurred completely at the submitter's own risk.