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Denmark-Copenhagen: Services supporting the European Environment Agency's (EEA) implementation of the Copernicus European Ground Motion Service – product validation 2021/S 179-464900

Contract award notice

Results of the procurement procedure

Services

Legal Basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: European Environment Agency (EEA)

Postal address: Kongens Nytorv 6

Town: Copenhagen

NUTS code: DK011 Byen København

Postal code: 1050

Country: Denmark

Contact person: Karoline Rygaard

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Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.eea.europa.eu>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Services supporting the European Environment Agency's (EEA) implementation of the Copernicus European Ground Motion Service – product validation

Reference number: EEA/DIS/R0/21/009

II.1.2) Main CPV code

72300000 Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The EEA has been entrusted with the implementation of the European Ground Motion Service (EGMS) as part of the Copernicus Land Monitoring Service (CLMS). The implementation of EGMS requires significant efforts to define quantitative and qualitative measures to evaluate the correspondence between the so-called ground

truth (and its inherent uncertainty) and satellite measurements. Since Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (InSAR) data production involves the application of thresholds and filters to remove unwanted phase artefacts the results can contain systematic effects, outliers or simply measurement noise. The overall purpose of this call for tenders is the independent validation of the EGMS product portfolio, which is currently being produced under the contract resulting from call for tenders EEA/DIS/R0/20/011.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: 900 000.00 EUR

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

90700000 Environmental services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: DK011 Byen København

Main site or place of performance:

All services shall mainly be performed at the future contractor's own premises, with occasional meetings at the EEA's premises in Copenhagen.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

The main objective of the validation process is to confirm that the European Ground Motion Service (EGMS) products are consistent with user requirements and product specifications, and with the expected range of applications and use. Information on validation is of great interest to the end users since it will indicate which phenomena the EGMS is able to capture, which are the possible fields of application and the constraints in the applicability of the EGMS products.

The main purpose of the validation process is to check if the EGMS products are consistent with other measures independent from the interferometric data processing and if/to what extent they meet end user expectations. The validation process shall encompass EGMS results and supporting documentation and must be carried out on the basis of available ancillary datasets that have not been previously included in the EGMS production.

Tenderers must consider the following key principles when specifying and proposing the implementation approach of the EGMS validation task:

- validation results must be reproducible;
- the data used to perform the validation must be reusable;
- it shall be possible to reuse and migrate the complete EGMS Validation System Environment to a predefined cloud service provider of the EEA's choosing;
- the validation methodology, scripts, tools, and data holdings must be developed, implemented, and documented with the aim of underpinning the three previous principles.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Preparation of validation activities – under this award criterion the quality and completeness of the tenderer's proposed validation approach will be evaluated by determining the tender's ability to execute and meet the following tasks and requirements specified in section 1.3: • Validation Data (R1); • Validation Activities (R3); • Validation Areas & Sites (R4); • Task 2 – Ramp-up activities. / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: EGMS Validation System Environment – under this award criterion the quality and completeness of the tenderer's proposed validation approach will be evaluated by determining the tender's ability to meet the following requirement specified in section 1.3: • EGMS Validation System (R2). / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Validation activities – under this award criterion the quality and completeness of the tenderer's proposed validation approach will be evaluated by determining the tender's ability to execute and meet the following tasks and requirements specified in section 1.3: • Implementation schedule (R5); • Mandatory outputs and documentation (R6); • Task 3, 4, 5, and 6. / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project:

Copernicus — Regulation (EU) 2021/696 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 28.4.2021 (OJ L 170, 12.5.2021, p. 69).

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Open procedure

IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2) **Administrative information**

IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2021/S 075-190595](#)

IV.2.8) **Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

IV.2.9) **Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: EEA/DIS/R0/21/009

Title:

Services supporting the European Environment Agency's (EEA) implementation of the Copernicus European Ground Motion Service – product validation

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**

V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:**

02/08/2021

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Sixense Iberia SA
National registration number: ESA82889122
Postal address: C/Velázquez, Num 50 7 Planta
Town: Madrid
NUTS code: ES300 Madrid
Postal code: 28001
Country: Spain
The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Nederlandse Organisatie voor Toegepast Natuurwetenschappelijk Onderzoek
National registration number: 27376655
Postal address: Anna van Buerenplein 1
Town: The Hague
NUTS code: NL332 Agglomeratie 's-Gravenhage
Postal code: 2595DA
Country: Netherlands
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Norges geotekniske institutt
National registration number: 958 254 318
Postal address: P.O. Box. 3930 Ullevaal Stadion
Town: Oslo
NUTS code: NO081 Oslo
Postal code: 0806
Country: Norway
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Bureau de Recherches Géologiques et Minières
National registration number: 582056149
Postal address: 3 avenue Claude Guillemin
Town: Orléans
NUTS code: FRB0 Centre — Val de Loire
Postal code: 45060
Country: France
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Geologische Bundesanstalt
Postal address: Neulinggasse 38
Town: Vienna
NUTS code: AT130 Wien
Postal code: 1030
Country: Austria
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Terrasigna S.R.L
National registration number: 40/9389/2001
Postal address: 1, Zinzin Str., Bl F10C, Sc. 4, Ap. 104, Sector 3
Town: Bucharest
NUTS code: RO321 București
Postal code: 031261
Country: Romania
The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 900 000.00 EUR
Total value of the contract/lot: 900 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**
The contract is likely to be subcontracted
Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties
Proportion: 16 %

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) **Additional information:**
During the 3 years following the entry into force of the framework service contract, the EEA reserves the right to exercise the option of conducting a negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice for new services with the future contractor awarded the framework service contract, in accordance with point (e) of the second subparagraph of point 11.1 of Annex I to the Financial Regulation.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**
Official name: General Court
Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
Town: Luxembourg
Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 4303-2100
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**
Official name: European Ombudsman
Postal address: 1 Avenue du Président Robert Schuman
Town: Strasbourg
Postal code: 67001
Country: France
E-mail: eo@ombudsman.europa.eu
Telephone: +33 388172313
Fax: +33 388179062
Internet address: <http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu>

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**
Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff (date of receipt), or, in the absence thereof, the day when the person concerned had knowledge of the relevant information, an appeal may be lodged with the Court of Justice of the European Union.

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Official name: General Court
Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
Town: Luxembourg
Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 4303-2100
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

03/09/2021