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DK-Copenhagen: IT consultancy services on geospatial information systems (GISs) — 4 lots: advanced server-based GIS and geospatial data handling; cartographic production and traceability for EEA products; advanced image processing; and technical support for Inspire implementation 2012/S 243-398606

Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

European Environment Agency (EEA)
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Contact point(s): EEA Procurement Services
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Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.eea.europa.eu>
Electronic access to information: <http://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders>

Further information can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to: The above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3) Main activity

Environment

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

IT consultancy services on geospatial information systems (GISs) — 4 lots: advanced server-based GIS and geospatial data handling; cartographic production and traceability for EEA products; advanced image processing; and technical support for Inspire implementation.

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 7: Computer and related services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: At the contractor's premises (extramural) or at the EEA's premises (intramural) in Copenhagen depending on the requirements of the order form.

NUTS code

II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in months: 48

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT: 3 600 000 EUR

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The purpose of this call for tenders is to establish framework contracts with economic operators who can provide GIS services and support to the EEA by providing senior and junior consultants in the following areas:

- lot 1 — advanced server-based GIS and geospatial data handling,
- lot 2 — cartographic production and traceability for EEA products,
- lot 3 — advanced image processing, and
- lot 4 — technical support for Inspire implementation.

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

72200000, 72310000, 72320000, 72420000, 72500000

II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

II.1.8) Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:

The total aggregated value of the 4 lots is 3 600 000 EUR over a maximum period of 48 months.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 3 600 000 EUR

II.2.2) Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Advanced server-based GIS and geospatial data handling

1) Short description

The EEA produces many digital products and geospatial services such as online Web-map services and Web applications based on SEIS (shared environmental information system) principles. All these products and services are targeted towards a broad range of stakeholders including external partners such as European Topic Centres or European Commission services as well as in-house support to processes for data flow automation, integrated assessments and indicator-based reporting.

The tasks to be carried out will consist in automating the production flows of European geospatial datasets using GIS for frequently recurring products and services (such as reports, databases, statistics, website integration, statistical validation), improving data quality by merging or manual editing, support to GIS system administration, database management, server-based application development. This lot will mainly focus on a very diverse spectrum of vector data handling.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

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3) **Quantity or scope**

The estimated value of the framework contract for the provision of IT consultancy services related to advanced server-based GIS and geospatial data handling is approximately 1 800 000 EUR over a maximum period of 48 months, starting from the date of signature of the contract.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 800 000 EUR

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Cartographic production and traceability for EEA products

1) **Short description**

The EEA produces every year several maps and graphs that are published in reports, as hard copy as well as electronic products. All these maps and graphs need to be made traceable by providing metadata on all aspects and relations to the underpinning data in EEA relevant systems. The tasks to be carried out include amongst others cartographic layout, map production, graphical representation of statistics, metadata maintenance and support to report production.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

72200000, 72310000, 72320000, 72420000, 72500000

3) **Quantity or scope**

The estimated value of the framework contract for the provision of IT consultancy services for cartographic production and traceability for EEA products is approximately 800 000 EUR over a maximum period of 48 months, starting from the date of signature of the contract.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 800 000 EUR

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Advanced image processing

1) **Short description**

The EEA is handling an increasing amount of imagery data obtained through remote sensing techniques. The EEA is coordinating the implementation of the GMES land monitoring services for the pan-European and the local component. The tasks to be carried out include handling large volume raster datasets, geometric

corrections, image classifications, supervised and non-supervised classifications, data integration, publishing of Web services, mosaicking, image catalogue maintenance, etc.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

72200000, 72310000, 72320000, 72420000, 72500000

3) **Quantity or scope**

The estimated value of the framework contract for the provision of IT consultancy services for advanced image processing is approximately 400 000 EUR over a maximum period of 48 months, starting from the date of signature of the contract.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 400 000 EUR

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 4

Lot title: Technical support for Inspire implementation

1) **Short description**

EEA is supporting the implementation of the Inspire Directive by participating in drafting teams for the implementing rules, monitoring and reporting on progress of implementation and in the set-up of selected services and relevant datasets related to the European level. As the Directive is stepwise put into operation in the coming years, the EEA is looking for technical support on these tasks. Inspire in this document refers to the Directive 2007/2/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14.3.2007 establishing an 'Infrastructure for spatial information in the European Community' (Inspire) and to the related implementing rules and technical guidelines. Information is available at <http://inspire.jrc.ec.europa.eu>

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

72200000, 72310000, 72320000, 72420000, 72500000

3) **Quantity or scope**

The estimated total value of the framework contract for the provision of IT consultancy services for technical support for Inspire implementation is approximately 600 000 EUR over a maximum period of 48 months, starting from the date of signature of the contract.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 600 000 EUR

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions relating to the contract**

III.1.1) **Deposits and guarantees required:**

As specified in the draft framework contract attached as Annex 6 to the tender specifications.

III.1.2) **Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:**

As specified in the draft framework contract attached as Annex 6 to the tender specifications.

III.1.3) **Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**

Tenders may be submitted by consortia of economic operators. If a consortium is awarded a contract, it may be required to adopt a given legal form before the contract is signed if this change is necessary for proper performance of the contract. This can take the form of an entity with or without legal personality but offering sufficient protection to the EEA's contractual interests (depending on the member country concerned, this may

be for instance, incorporation or partnership or a temporary association). Consortia must identify one of their members as coordinator who will interface with the EEA.

Each member of a consortium must fulfil the conditions for participation specified under Section III.2.1 below.

III.1.4) **Other particular conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) **Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Exclusion criteria — to be eligible for participation in this contract award procedure, tenderers must not be in any situation referred to in Articles 106 and 107 of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25.10.2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002, OJ L 298/1 of 26.10.2012. To that effect, tenderers are requested to submit a declaration on honour (see Annex 2 to the tender specifications) in accordance with Article 134 of Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 2342/2002 of 23.12.2002, OJ L 357/1 of 31.12.2002 as last modified by Commission Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 478/2007 of 23.4.2007, OJ L 111/13 of 28.4.2007. Under the same provision, the tenderer to whom the contract is to be awarded will be required to produce evidence confirming the prior declaration (see Section 11.1.2 of the tender specifications).

Legal capacity — tenderers are required to prove that they are authorised to perform the contract under national law, as evidenced by inclusion in a trade or professional register and/or entry in the VAT register. To that effect, tenderers are required to submit a legal entity form (see Annex 3 to the tender specifications) duly filled out and signed, accompanied by a copy of inscription in the trade register and/or a copy of inscription in the VAT register, where applicable. In addition, tenderers must indicate in which country they have their headquarters, registered office or residence, and provide the necessary supporting documents in accordance with their national law (see Annex 1 to the tender specifications).

III.2.2) **Economic and financial ability**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Evidence of economic and financial capacity shall be furnished by (1 or more of) the following documents:

- appropriate statement from bank or evidence of professional risk indemnity insurance, or
- the presentation of balance sheets or extracts from balance sheets for at least the last 2 years for which accounts have been closed, where publication of the balance sheet is required under the company law of the country in which the economic operator is established, or
- a statement of overall turnover and turnover concerning the services covered by the contract during the last 2 financial years.

If, for some exceptional reason which the EEA considers justified, a tenderer is unable to provide the reference(s) requested above, he may prove his economic and financial capacity by any other means which the EEA considers appropriate.

An economic operator may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. It must in that case prove to the EEA that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing an undertaking on the part of those entities to place their resources at its disposal.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

Tenderers should show their degree of technical and professional capacity to provide the requested services by providing information on the criteria described below. If several service providers or subcontractors are involved in the tender, the selection criteria for the technical and professional capacity will be assessed in relation to the combined capacities of the service providers and/or subcontractors, as a whole, to the extent that service providers and/or subcontractors put their resources at the disposal of the tenderer for performance of the contract.

Tenderers shall provide the following documentation and information:

1. Human resources:

(i) CVs detailing the educational and professional qualifications of the firm's managerial staff as well as those of the staff designated to provide the services indicating the required professional experience as follows:

- managerial staff: minimum 2 CVs (contract manager) documenting a minimum of 5 years' relevant experience,
- persons responsible for providing the services: minimum 3 CVs for all tasks required, providing clear references and examples of similar type of work. Junior consultants must have a minimum of 3 years' relevant experience and senior consultants a minimum of 5 years' relevant experience;

(ii) an overview in a cross table of all staff responsible for providing the services giving the total amount of months worked in the areas listed in Section 11.2.3 of the tender specifications.

2. Past contracts:

Tenderers shall provide details of major contracts awarded to them relevant to the services required by the EEA under the following 2 categories:

- (1) contracts currently undertaken; and
- (2) contracts that have been undertaken over the last 3 years, indicating the value, brief description of the services undertaken and recipients of the services (public or private).

3. Quality control and customer service:

(i) tenderers shall provide details of any quality assurance accreditation that they hold. If no is accreditation held, tenderers shall provide an outline of any quality assurance policy specifying the status of implementation (e.g. measures employed to ensure quality of services such as Web services, delivered products, derived data and source code), and details of any quality assurance accreditations for which they have applied;

(ii) tenderers shall provide a description of their terms and conditions in regard to customer service (e.g. ability to respond quickly to request for services and/or modification thereof).

4. Environmental policy:

The tenderer shall provide a description of their environmental policy specifying the status of implementation. In the event of a joint offer submitted by a consortium, each member of the consortium shall provide the requested description.

III.2.4) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**

III.3.1) **Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2) **Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

Legal persons should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service: no

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Type of procedure**

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Open

- IV.1.2) **Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**
- IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue**
- IV.2) **Award criteria**
- IV.2.1) **Award criteria**
The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document
- IV.2.2) **Information about electronic auction**
An electronic auction will be used: no
- IV.3) **Administrative information**
- IV.3.1) **File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**
EEA/SES/12/003.
- IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**
no
- IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**
- IV.3.4) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**
15.2.2013 - 16:00
- IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**
Any EU official language
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**
Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening of tenders**
Date: 22.2.2013 - 10:00
Place:
EEA premises at Kongens Nytorv 6, 1050 Copenhagen K, DENMARK.
Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes
Additional information about authorised persons and opening procedure: representatives of tenderers (1 per tenderer) are allowed to participate in the opening session. They are requested to inform EEA's procurement services in advance and at the latest by 21.2.2013 (14:00) by e-mail at procurement@eea.europa.eu or by fax at number +45 33367273.

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about European Union funds**
The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no
- VI.3) **Additional information**
All tender documents and any additional information are available for consultation and download from EEA's external website at the following address: <http://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders>
- VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**
- VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures**
General Court

rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
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LUXEMBOURG
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>
Fax: +352 4303-2100

Body responsible for mediation procedures

European Ombudsman
1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman
67001 Strasbourg Cedex
FRANCE
E-mail: eo@ombudsman.europa.eu
Telephone: +33 388172313
Internet address: <http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu>
Fax: +33 388179062

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff (date of receipt), or, in the absence thereof, the day on which the person concerned had knowledge of the relevant information, an appeal may be lodged with the General Court. A complaint to the European Ombudsman has no impact on the above deadline for lodging an appeal.

VI.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

General Court
rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
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LUXEMBOURG
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
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Fax: +352 4303-2100

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

6.12.2012