

**Title:** Policy evaluation – evaluation of EU policies and their direct and indirect impact on land use/take

**Reference:** Negotiated procedure EEA/NSV/14/004

The European Environment Agency (EEA) seeks a service provider with substantial knowledge and experience in policy evaluations, in particular evaluation of EU policies that have a direct and indirect effect on land use/take. The diversity of policies impacting land use/take mirrors the many sectors and actors causing land use changes adding to the complexity of policy evaluations in this domain. The service provider should be familiar with typical evaluation methodologies/steps and specific approaches used for specific research questions and policies.

**Type of contract:**

Service contract for a duration of 7 months as from the date of its signature.

**Estimated value:**

EUR 60000 excluding VAT.

**Place of delivery or of performance:**

Mainly at the contractor's premises possibly with one travel to facilitate a workshop.

**Description of the services to be procured:**

1. A methodological approach for carrying out policy evaluations on the direct and indirect effect of land use/take.
2. Test the methodology on selected policies to examine their direct and indirect effect on land use/take (including land degradation).
3. Analyse whether current EU policy instruments are effective, efficient, coherent and relevant in the light of policy demands to limit land use/take and land degradation in Europe.

The outcome should be a report addressing how EU policies impact land use and how land use is integrated into national land planning objectives. The report should not be based on questionnaires but rather contain an analysis and collection of evidences. The contractor should potentially facilitate a workshop to be arranged by the EEA with experts from Commission DGs and Member States where they would present their experiences. These inputs should be analysed and included in the final report addressing how EU policies are translated into national or local decisions that have an impact on land use/take (and land degradation, ideally, as the EU "land communication" will focus on both).

**Scheduled starting date of contract (indicative):**

April 2014

Final report ready by November 2014

**Registration of interest:**

Interested candidates shall register their interest by email to [procurement@eea.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@eea.europa.eu) by **10.03.2014** at the latest, quoting the title and reference No of this negotiated procedure in the subject field of the message and providing the following information:

- Name (of individual or organisation/company)
- Address (of individual or organisation/company)
- Contact person
- E-mail
- Description of main area of business / expertise (max. 500 words)

Your personal information above will be processed solely for the purpose of this negotiated procedure in accordance with the rules set in Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data (OJEU L 8/1 of 12.1.2001). For further detailed information please refer to the privacy statement available on the EEA external website at the following address: <http://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders/privacy-statement>

**Description of the tendering procedure:**

On the basis of the pre-assessment of the information provided, the EEA will draw up a list of the most suitable candidates and will forward to all or some of them (at least three candidates) by e-mail an invitation to submit a tender in accordance with the tender specifications by a set deadline. The tender submitted will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria specified in the tender specifications. During the negotiation phase after the submission of the tenders, selected candidates may be required to adapt their tender to the requirements set in the tender specifications in order to find the solution offering the best value for money.

Candidates shall note that registration of interest to participate in the above-mentioned procedure entails no obligation on the part of the EEA to send an invitation to tender to candidates or to award them a contract. Please note that no replies will be sent to unselected candidates.