

**Norway-Oslo: Research and development services and related consultancy services**

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Contract notice

Services

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Den norske kirke — Kirkerådet

National registration number: 818 066 872

Postal address: Rådhusgaten 1-3

Town: Oslo

NUTS code: NO Norge

Postal code: 0106

Country: Norway

Contact person: Ole Inge Bekkelund

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Telephone: +47 23081250

**Internet address(es):**Main address: <https://permalink.mercell.com/117416954.aspx>Address of the buyer profile: <http://www.kirken.no/>**I.3. Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://permalink.mercell.com/117416954.aspx>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5. Main activity**

Recreation, culture and religion

**Section II: Object**

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**II.1. Scope of the procurement****II.1.1. Title**

Open Tender Contest in Accordance with Parts I and III of the Regulations for the Procurement of a Framework Agreement for a Review of the Administrative and Financial Effects of Organisational Changes in the Church of Norway

Reference number: (360) 19/04600

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

**II.1.3.**

## **Type of contract**

Services

### **II.1.4. Short description**

Description of the Church Council and the council's connection to the procurement:

The Church of Norway has 3 700 000 members, 1 150 parochial church councils, approx. 350 joint councils, 11 diocesan councils and approx. 7 000 employees nationwide. The Synod is the Church of Norway's top representative body and will, after the new religious community law comes into force, give detailed terms on the church's organisation, division and which authority the different bodies in the church will have.

The Church Council prepares the matters that are dealt with by the Synod, implements the Synod's decisions and manages the work between the Synod's gatherings.

The contracting authority in this procurement is the Church Council, the Church of Norway.

The contracting authority's contact person: Ole Inge Bekkelund.

Any questions are to be sent electronically to the contact person.

There is to be no contact/communication regarding the tender contest with other persons at the contracting authority than the named contact person.

### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 4 000 000,00 NOK

### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

## **II.2. Description**

### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: NO011 Oslo

### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

1) The purpose of the procurement:

The Synod agreed in April 2019 to ask the Church Council 'if they could, as soon as possible in the coming synod period, promote a proposal to the Synod on the future employer organisation and other church arrangements'. The proposal must contribute to better management options for all of the resources, so that more resources can be directed to the church's primary tasks.

In autumn 2019 the Church Council started to work on finding a solution to the question of joint employer responsibility for all those who work locally in the Church of Norway.

The Church Council has appointed a committee that will review a temporary solution where a level between the municipal level and the diocese can be a new employer unit for all local employees in the church. As a part of this work, the committee will order 4 subreviews from separate subcommittees with particular limited review mandates. The main committee will, based on, amongst other things, the subcommittees' sub-reviews, prepare a review report for the Church Council's director by 1.1.2021.

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For the period that the main committee is nominated for, the tenderer must work for the committee and be a resource in their work. Expected orders will relate to, amongst other things, a mapping of the current resource situation for the Church of Norway and consequence analyses for proposals promoted by the main committee. There is no current description of all

of the Church's resource use. This will be prioritised work in order to have a starting point for consequence analyses for the change proposals. The current resource use relates to carrying out church functions, religious education, management of church buildings, management of cemetery places, administration and infrastructure (IT). Data sources for costs are primarily SSB/Kostra, but other overviews must also be found.

When the main committee has completed its work, the tenderer will carry out assignments for the Church Council that are connected to the church's handling of the main committee's proposal.

#### 2) Contract:

A framework agreement will be signed for the period up to 30.6.2023. Most of the work will be done in 2020. The financial limit for the assignment will be up to 4 000 000 NOK excluding VAT.

#### 3) Lots and alternative tenders:

Tenders cannot be submitted for parts of the assignment.

Alternative tenders outside the requirements specification and goals will not be accepted.

#### 4) EL-info:

##### Communication:

All communication and information exchange between the Church Council and the tenderer must, as a starting point, be in writing via electronic communication means, cf. AFO §22-1.

We would also like electronic signing. There are the following alternatives for signing in Mercell:

- BankID on a mobile,
- Buypass mobile,
- Java-free signing with Commfides Ansatt ID. Bank ID with a code chip,
- entity certificate from Commfides

The link to the contracting authority and the tender:

Internet address: <https://permalink.mercell.com/117416954.aspx>  
<http://www.kirken.no/>

5) Annex: the award criteria, financial limit for the assignment and requirements specification that tenderers must act in accordance with are in annex 1 Tender documentation. There is also annex 2 Information on the 'Church Organisation Project'.

#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6. Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 4 000 000,00 NOK

#### **II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start: 06/03/2020 End: 30/06/2023

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The framework agreement cannot exceed 4 years.

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **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:  
no

### **II.2.14. Additional information**

## **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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### **III.1. Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

Tenderers must be registered in a company register. Documentation requirement: Certificate from The Brønnøysund Register Centre.

#### **III.1.2. Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

The tenderer's economic and financial capacity:

Norwegian tenderers must have their tax, employer contributions and VAT payments in order. Documentation requirement: tax and VAT certificate, not older than 6 months. The certificate must not be older than 6 months calculated from the deadline for submitting an application. Any arrears or other irregularities must be justified. If a tenderer is planning to use sub-suppliers, tax certificates for VAT must also be provided for them.

#### **III.1.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Experience requirement:

Tenderers must have experience from comparable assignments. Up to 3 relevant assignments in the last 3 years connected to knowledge and experience with cost calculations and administrative assessments connected to major change projects.

Documentation requirement:

Description of up to 3 of the tenderer's most relevant assignments during the last 3 years. The description must include a statement of the assignment's value, date and recipient (name, telephone number and email address). It is the tenderer's responsibility to confirm relevance through the description. Tenderers must document experience by referring to competence of the personnel that can be used for this assignment, including experience that has been acquired while the personnel was in the service of another employer.

### **III.2. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2. Contract performance conditions**

III.1.1) Title: framework agreement for the procurement of consultancy services A new contract can be signed within the framework agreement's terms that is connected to the framework agreement. New assignments cannot be entered into outside the framework agreement;

III.1.2) Main CPV code: 73 000000;

III.1.3) Type of contract: consultancy services;

III.1.4) The Church Council would like to enter into a framework agreement for consultancy services for the Church of Norway's future reorganisation, the description of the purpose and requirements specification;

III.1.5) Estimated total value/financial limit for the assignment: 4 000 000 NOK excluding VAT;

III.1.6) Place of execution: Oslo;

- III.1.7) The framework agreement will be awarded on the basis of the criteria stated in the tender documentation;
- III. 1.8) The framework agreement's relationship to the assignment will have a close relationship to the tender documentation's description of the requirements specification;
- III.1.9) The framework agreement's duration: 30.6.2023. Most of the work will be done in 2020. The framework agreement can be extended for up to 4 years. The contract will start when a tender has been accepted and all the deadlines have expired.

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **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  
Framework agreement with a single operator

#### **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.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 14/02/2020 Local time: 12:00

#### **IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

#### **IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

Norwegian

#### **IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 06/03/2020

#### **IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 14/02/2020 Local time: 12:00

Place:

Kirkens hus, Rådhusgata 1-3, 0106 Oslo.

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

### **VI.2. Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3. Additional information**

### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: Oslo tingrett Norges domstoler

Postal address: Postboks 2106 Vika

Town: Oslo

Postal code: 0125

Country: Norway

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Telephone: +47 22035200

Internet address: [www.domstol.no](http://www.domstol.no)

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

Official name: DIFI

Postal address: Grev Wedels Plass 9

Town: Oslo

Postal code: 0151

Country: Norway

E-mail: [brukerstotte@difi.no](mailto:brukerstotte@difi.no)

Telephone: +47 24055610

Internet address: [www.difi.no](http://www.difi.no)

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

16/01/2020