

I-Ispra: Acquisition and maintenance of an asymmetric flow field-flow fractionation system

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Contract notice

Supplies

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Commission, Joint Research Centre, Institute For Health and Consumer Protection, TP 582

Postal address: via Enrico Fermi 2749

Town: Ispra VA

Postal code: 21027

Country: Italy

Contact person: The tender documents have to be downloaded from <http://web.jrc.ec.europa.eu/callsfortender>

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General address of the contracting authority: <http://web.jrc.ec.europa.eu/callsfortender>

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

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

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3. Main activity

Other: Research.

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**

Acquisition and maintenance of an asymmetric flow field-flow fractionation system.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Supplies

Purchase

Main site or place of performance: JRC — Ispra VA — Italy.

NUTS code

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

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

The Chemical Assessment and Testing (CAT) Unit of the Institute for Health and Consumer Protection (IHCP), JRC of the European Commission is launching a call for tender for the acquisition and maintenance of an asymmetric flow field-flow fractionation system.

Part of the CAT Unit activities is focused on the detection and measurement of nanoparticles in complex matrices such as food and consumers products. In this frame, the IHCP intends to buy an asymmetric-flow field-flow fractionation (AFFFF) system for the size measurement and characterisation of nanoparticles in solution.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

38340000 Instruments for measuring quantities, 38432200 Chromatographs, 50000000 Repair and maintenance services

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Acquisition of an asymmetric flow field-flow fractionation system + 24 months' warranty + 24 months' maintenance.

The contract is divided into 2 stages:

stage 1: supply, delivery, installation, testing, on-site training and provision of documentation within 6 months from the signature of the contract + 24 months of warranty, as specified in the tender documents;

stage 2: stage 1 may be followed by a maintenance service of an initial duration of 12 months, renewable up to once, for a period of 12 months, as specified in the tender documents.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 150 000 and 180 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Number of possible renewals: 1

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:

in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

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

Duration in months: 54 (from the award of the contract)

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

As specified in tender documentation.

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

As specified in tender documentation.

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

Tenders can be submitted by groups of economic operators that will not be required to adopt a particular legal form prior to the contract being awarded. However, a grouping of firms must nominate 1 party to be responsible for the receipt and processing of payments for members of the grouping, for managing the service administration, and for coordination and safety. Should they be awarded the contract, they must form a consortium, or an association or adopt some other form which would allow them to act as a single legal entity.

Alternatively, the members of the consortium may provide the lead member with an official power of attorney. If the contractor is a grouping or consortium of 2 or more persons, all such persons shall be jointly and severally liable to the Commission for the fulfilment of the terms and conditions of the contract. Such persons shall designate one of them to act as leader with full authority to bind the grouping or the consortium and each of its members. The composition and constitution of the grouping or consortium, and the allocation of the scope of tasks amongst the members, shall not be altered without the prior written consent of the Commission which can be withheld at discretion.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

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

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: Tenderers will not be eligible to take part in this contract award procedure if they are in any of the exclusion situations listed in Articles 106 and 107 of Council Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of 25.10.2012 (OJ L 298 of 26.10.2012).

Tenderers must also provide the documents stipulated in Article 143(1) of Commission Regulation (EU) No 1268/2012 of 29.10.2012 (OJ L 362 of 31.12.2012) (see tender documents).

Should a contract be awarded, the contractor will need to produce the supporting documents required in Article 143 of the same Regulation.

In the case of groupings of contractors, the documents required must be provided by every member of the grouping. They must also be provided by subcontractors with a budget share of 20 % or more. Any tenderer or candidate shall prove that he is authorised to perform the contract under national law, as evidenced by inclusion in a trade or professional register, or a sworn declaration or certificate, membership of a specific organisation, express authorisation, or entry in the VAT register.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: The tenderer shall provide:

- a) appropriate statements from banks as regards current financial standing;
- b) a statement of overall turnover and turnover concerning the supplies or services covered by the contract during the last 3 financial years.

In the case of groupings of contractors, the documents required must be provided by every member of the grouping.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: For point III.2.2(b) a minimum yearly turnover greater than 600 000 EUR.

In the case of groupings of contractors, this criterion will be assessed in relation to the combined capacities of all members of the grouping.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

- a) a list of principal similar supplies delivered in the past 3 years, with a brief description, the sums, dates, recipients public or private.

In the case of groupings of contractors, the documents required must be provided by every member of the grouping.

In the case of groupings of contractors, this criterion will be assessed in relation to the combined capacities of all members of the grouping.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

For point III.2.3(a) a minimum of 12 flow field-flow fractionation systems installed in the last 3 years, of which at least 4 in the last 12 months. This data can be listed separately for confidentiality purposes if necessary.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

JRC/IPR/2013/I.1/0002/OC.

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Other previous publications

Notice number in the OJ S: [2012/S 132-218280](#) of 12.7.2012

Notice number in the OJ S: [2012/S 245-402085](#) of 20.12.2012

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 14.3.2013

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

14.3.2013

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

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: 20.3.2013 - 14:30

Place:

JRC Ispra, external building, room 7, via Enrico Fermi 2749, 21027 Ispra VA, ITALY.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Please, provide to jrc-ihcp-procurement@ec.europa.eu the names of people attending the opening session, within and not later than 14.3.2013.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

VI.3. Additional information

The tender documentation has to be downloaded from the following website: <http://web.jrc.ec.europa.eu/callsfortender>

Please be informed that a 'Questions–answers/additional information.doc' will be regularly updated during the procedure. It is the responsibility of the candidates to regularly check updates and modifications during the tendering period.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff, or, in absence thereof, of the day on which it came to the knowledge. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have as an effect either to suspend this period or to open a new period for lodging appeals.

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: General Court of the European Union
Postal address: rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
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Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

25.1.2013