

United Kingdom-Reading: IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts (ECMWF)

Postal address: Shinfield Park

Town: Reading

NUTS code: UKJ11 Berkshire

Postal code: RG2 9AX

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: procurement@lists.ecmwf.int

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.ecmwf.int/>

Address of the buyer profile: <http://procurement.ecmwf.int/>

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://procurement.ecmwf.int/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <http://procurement.ecmwf.int/>

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: <http://procurement.ecmwf.int/>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: Meteorological Services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Copernicus CJS2_120 Provision of website maintenance, support and development services

Reference number: CJS2_120

II.1.2. Main CPV code

72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

This ITT is aimed at providing web services for the Copernicus Climate Change service (C3S) and the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service (CAMS) public websites: <http://climate.copernicus.eu> and <http://atmosphere.copernicus.eu>.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1,00 EUR

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance: on Contractor's premises.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

This ITT is aimed at providing web services for the Copernicus Climate Change service (C3S) and the Copernicus Atmosphere Monitoring Service (CAMS) public websites: <http://climate.copernicus.eu> and <http://atmosphere.copernicus.eu>. These websites are an essential part of the ECMWF

Copernicus services communication channels to reach out to their audiences and promote scientific content, provide access to climate and atmospheric data and keep the public informed with key environmental information.

The services to be delivered under this ITT CJS2_120 are grouped in following three working packages and will contribute to effective implementation of ECMWF Copernicus

Communication strategy in the areas of digital outreach and data service strategy:

- to provide maintenance and technical support to the C3S and CAMS websites (WP 1);
- to provide ad hoc web development and design activities for specific project purposes (WP2);
- to undertake the management of the contract (account management, reporting on quality measures and project status) (WP 0).

The framework contract will be for a three-year period with the possibility of a 12-month extension at the discretion of ECMWF.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Legal and Financial / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Track record / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of resources to be deployed / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Technical solution proposed / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Management and Implementation / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 15

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 1,00 EUR

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

Duration in months: 36

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

Possibility of 12 months extension

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:
yes

Identification of the project: Copernicus - The European Earth Observation Programme
(<http://www.copernicus.eu/>)

II.2.14. Additional information

Please also note the important additional information in Section VI.3 regarding funding and eligibility.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.2. Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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
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: 01/03/2022 Local time: 15:00

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

English

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

Duration in months: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 01/03/2022 Local time: 15:00

Place:

Reading, UK

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Not applicable

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

Procedure to be applied: The procurement will be conducted in accordance with ECMWF's procedures as set out in Invitation to Tender documents, which will be available on ECMWF's eProcurement Portal (<http://procurement.ecmwf.int/>) and no other procedures will apply. In submitting this notice ECMWF does not waive the privileges and immunities granted to it by virtue of its status as an intergovernmental organisation or submit itself to any jurisdiction. Tenders must be submitted using ECMWF's eProcurement Portal. Hard copy (paper) submissions will not be accepted.

Due to the need to include performance and compliance obligations in the contract, ECMWF will contract only with a single legal person or entity which is competent to undertake and commit to these obligations. ECMWF recognises that some bids will involve a number of organisations which may wish to work together to deliver the contract requirements. In such cases, these organisations must identify a lead contractor who will sign the contract with ECMWF and who will be responsible for putting in place legal arrangements to ensure that it can guarantee that all other organisations will also meet the contract obligations. ECMWF will not enter into multiple contracts with individual members of consortia or groups of service providers.

General eligibility

According to the Contribution Agreement between the European Union and ECMWF, participation in calls for tenders shall preferably be open to entities established in Member States of the European Union and to entities established in Copernicus participating states in accordance with the conditions laid down in the EU's Space Programme Regulation. The Regulation can be found at https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv%3AOJ.L_.2021.170.01.0069.01.ENG&toc=OJ%3AL%3A2021%3A170%3AFULL

It is currently ECMWF's expectation that, in practice, entities established in other States may exceptionally be eligible and subject to specific scientific or other requirements (as specified in the tender documents) as well as express prior approval by an EU Procurement Board. This applies to both prime and sub-contractors. Accordingly, ECMWF is required to reserve the right to exclude ineligible persons or entities from tenders at any point in time. All Tenderers as well as their sub-contractors must meet all eligibility criteria throughout the whole duration of the procurement exercise as well as their prospective contracts.

Eligibility of United Kingdom (UK) and Swiss (CH) entities

The above applies also to entities based in the UK and Switzerland. At present, neither the UK nor Switzerland are EU Member States or participating in the EU Space Programme.

However, we understand that the European Union have agreed — in principle — that both countries may continue participating in, among others, the Copernicus component of the EU Space Programme as third countries for the period of 2021-2027. The detailed conditions for such a participation are still being negotiated, but the UK government has confirmed that, at the present time, UK organisations cannot bid for Copernicus services contracts, unless there are exceptional circumstances (as determined by the EU). Further information may be found in the following link of the UK Government, for the accuracy of which ECMWF will not assume any liability: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/uk-involvement-in-the-eu-space-programme>. It is likely that Swiss organisations will be in the same situation as UK ones. ECMWF will publish relevant updates in this regard once they are available.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: European Centre for Medium-Range Weather Forecasts

Postal address: Shinfield Park

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Postal code: RG2 9AX

Country: United Kingdom

Internet address: <https://www.ecmwf.int/en/about/suppliers>

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

See instructions on ECMWF's Supplier web page: <https://www.ecmwf.int/en/about/suppliers>

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

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

21/01/2022