

Switzerland-Berne: Miscellaneous services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Global Programme Food Security

Postal address: Freiburgstrasse 130

Town: Bern

Postal code: 3003

Country: Switzerland

E-mail: gpfs@eda.admin.ch

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: www.deza.admin.ch

Additional information can be obtained from:

Official name: Global Programme Food Security

Internet address: http://www.simap.ch/shabforms/servlet/Search?NOTICE_NR=811447

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: Official name: PLEASE DO NOT OPEN

Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) Global Programme Food Security

Postal address: Freiburgstrasse 130

Town: Bern

Postal code: 3003

Country: Switzerland

For the attention of: Secretariat Global Programme Food Security (GPFS)

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3. Main activity

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

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

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

Reduced water consumption in food production for enhanced food security.

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

Main site or place of performance: Global.

NUTS code

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

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

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

Background

Sustainable water use for food production, human consumption and industrial use is probably the largest global challenge in the future. Agriculture is the largest consumer of water. 70 % of the world freshwater use is allocated to agriculture while 22 % is used by the industry and 8 % for human consumption and use. Food security is often linked to in-creased productivity which is conventionally associated with increased use of inputs such as irrigation water, fertilizers and pesticides. Agriculture as the biggest water users will have to accept the challenge of becoming far more efficient in a food secure world and sustainable development.

According to the FAO more than half of the irrigation water in arid and semiarid areas does not reach the plant in spite of the fact that many water saving technologies and agricultural practices are available, however, they are not yet widely applied.

To increase productivity of agricultural production in sustainable manner innovative approaches to achieving efficient water use must go beyond technological solutions addressing technology adoption, behaviour change, economic instruments and policies.

The Project or initiative shall be relevant at global level and have a clear link to policy frameworks at continental or global level. Research projects are not considered.

Objectives

The project/initiative shall ultimately contribute to achieve Component 2 of GPFS Strategy: Competing claims on natural resources, Target 2.1: Promote technological and financial approaches to reduce water consumption of agricultural production.

Proposals shall especially consider the following three strategic questions:

- What are approaches to promote the adoption of existing and tested water saving technologies?
- How to approach small scale farmers to change to more efficient irrigation schemes?
- What are agronomic approaches and methods that have a tested potential to reach scale?

Finances and Duration

SDC's contribution will indicatively range between 600 000 CHF – 1 000 000 CHF per year and cover maximum 50 % of the total cost of the project (co-financing scheme)

The first phase of the project shall last 3 years with a possible extension to a second phase of another 3 years.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

98300000 Miscellaneous services

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

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

II.2.2. Information about options

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Start 1.1.2015. Completion 31.12.2017

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

None.

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

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

Consortia of bidders are permitted. If a bidder participates in the procedure as part of a consortium, he must identify a member of the consortium who performs the lead function (deputisation, coordination). The bidder lists all members and their roles. All members of the consortium together bear responsibility for the bid.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: Subcontractor: Subcontractors are permitted. If the bidder engages a subcontractor to provide certain services, the bidder bears full responsibility for the provided services. He lists all subcontractors involved with their assigned roles.

III.2. Conditions for participation

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

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

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

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

SOUK_Water

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

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

Payable documents: no

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

23.4.2014

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

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in days: 180 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

VI.3. Additional information

Partial offers are not permitted.

Conditions for countries not party to the WTO agreement: None.

Terms of business: General Conditions Of Business (GCB) for Project Implementation Mandates, July 2012.

Negotiations: remain reserved.

Basic procedural principles: The client only awards public commissions for services in Switzerland to tenderers who comply with job security regulations and the conditions of work for employees, and provide equal payment for men and women.

Additional information: The tender proceeds in accordance with Section 3 of the Federal Ordinance on Public Procurement (FOPP). There is no right of appeal.

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Deadline / Remarks: Bids contain all documentation in accordance with Section 5 Contents of the Bid and are to be submitted as follows: a. one original signed hard copy labelled 'Original' b. two signed copies labelled, 'Signed Copy' c. one data storage device (e.g. CD, DVD or

Memory Stick) of all documents.

National reference publication: Simap of 4.3.2014 , doc. 811447

Desired deadline for questions in written form: 26.3.2014

Conditions for obtaining the tendering documentation: The documentation on the public call to tender for the project mentioned can be downloaded from the platform www.simap.ch under: Running procedures, Confederation, Invitations to tender. In order to do so, you first have to register in the mentioned project. You will then be able to log in and use the password that you will have been sent by e-mail to download the documentation desired.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

4.3.2014