

Finland-Helsinki: Research and development services and related consultancy services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

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For the attention of: Sanna Pulkkinen

E-mail: sanna.pulkkinen@formin.fi**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

General public services

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**

Evaluation of Finland's Development Cooperation with Kenya in 2007-2013.

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

Services

Service category No 8: Research and development services

Main site or place of performance: Finland and Kenya.

NUTS code FIZ Extra-Regio NUTS 1

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 purpose of the evaluation is to serve planning and decision making needs in the Ministry, especially in the Department for Africa and the Middle East and the Embassy of Finland in Kenya. The information is needed above all for the development of Finland's country strategy in Kenya and for the planning of the forthcoming bilateral country consultations between Finland and Kenya. The evaluation will provide an assessment on the overall achievements

and lessons learned from the past cooperation in Kenya. The evaluation will make innovative but practical recommendations and provide guidance how the recommendations can be put into practice (e.g. how, when, who).

Moreover, evaluation per se is a tool for accountability. Thus, the evaluation will also inform the general public, parliamentarians, academia, and development professionals outside the immediate sphere of the decision-makers in development policy of what has been achieved by the use of public funds.

The objective of the evaluation is to make innovative but practical and concrete recommendations for programming in order to develop the current and future country strategy of Finland. It will provide an overall independent assessment on the achievements, contributions and weaknesses of Finland's development cooperation in supporting the development process in Kenya. Evaluation will provide lessons learned from the past cooperation focusing on the priorities of Kenya's development plans and Finnish development policies, including cross-cutting themes and objectives. In its analysis and recommendations the evaluations will take into account the changing context and future development scenarios of Kenya. The most essential questions are: is Finland's co-operation addressing the key priorities of Kenya in an effective manner? What works for whom and in what circumstances? The specific objectives of the evaluation are:

— To assess if Finland's country strategy in Kenya has been able to respond to the changing contexts in Kenya and Finland.

— To assess Finland's overall success in implementing its country strategy (major achievements and possible failures) in light of the country context and.

To assess the choice of sectors/results areas.

To assess the choice of cooperation modalities.

To assess the integration of human rights based approach and cross-cutting themes and objectives:

— To assess aid effectiveness including Finland's role as development partner.

— In the light of the contextual changes in Kenya and Finland and on the base of the overall role of ODA in Kenya to make clear conclusions and innovative but practical and concrete recommendations for future programming including sectors/result areas, cooperation modalities and integration of human rights based approach and cross-cutting objectives.

See ITT for further details.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy 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

The temporal scope of the evaluation is 2007-2013, covering the plan for the participation of Finland in Kenya and the current country strategy.

The focus will be at strategic level aggregating the results of Finland's country strategy in Kenya. While analysing the country strategy and development cooperation portfolio in Kenya,

the evaluation is not intended to examine each individual intervention meticulously but rather focus on how the entire country strategy and cooperation portfolio and the policy dialogue and partnerships support the development process in Kenya. The existing evaluations (including MTEs/MTRs) form the basis for examining individual interventions.

The evaluation will cover bilateral instruments and bilateral contributions through multilateral channels (so-called multi-bi cooperation). In addition to sector support, programmes and projects, the bilateral cooperation instruments include Funds for Local Cooperation (FLC) administered by the Finnish Embassy. Activities of the Finnish institutions under the Institutional Cooperation Instrument (ICI) will be looked at as part of the overall Finnish contribution in Kenya. Other cooperation modalities outside the country strategy (e.g. regional programmes and projects of Finnish NGOs) will not be primary subject of the evaluation but the evaluation team should be aware of that cooperation.

See ITT for further details.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 200 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: The MFA reserves a right for a contract of additional services from the same service provider amounting up to a maximum of 50 000 EUR. Any extension of the contract will be subject to satisfactory performance by the contractor.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Start 1.5.2014. Completion 31.12.2014

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

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

See ITT.

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

See ITT.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

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: See ITT.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: See ITT.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: See ITT.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

See ITT.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

See ITT.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. 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: yes

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

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated no

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

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

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

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

28.4.2014 - 09:00

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: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 28.4.2014

Place: Official name: Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

Country: Finland

For the attention of: Sanna Pulkkinen

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

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

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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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

12.3.2014