

120276-2026 - Competition

Norway – Laboratory services – Laboratory Analyses of Norwegian Certified Seed Potatoes for Virus and Ring Rot (*Clavibacter sepedonicus*)

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Mattilsynet

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

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Title: Laboratory Analyses of Norwegian Certified Seed Potatoes for Virus and Ring Rot (*Clavibacter sepedonicus*)

Description: The import of seed potatoes into Norway is not permitted for reasons of plant health. As a result, Norwegian seed potato crops provide the basis for all potato cultivation in Norway. The seed potato production is governed by Regulation no 1447 dated 2 July 1996 on seed potatoes. According to the regulation, the Buyer is responsible for conducting laboratory tests to ensure that the lots meet the conditions for approval. Please see Appendix 2 – The Buyer's requirement specifications – for further details.

Procedure identifier: 90b12a9a-0db8-4d88-a4ab-6f673ba931cd

Internal identifier: 2026/41791

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

Main features of the procedure: The estimated yearly budget of this contract is set to NOK 1 million a year. This all depends on changes in the annual budget, political changes and other national and international guidelines. Tenders shall be submitted for the following analyses: Virus test (post harvest test): ScopeThe seed potato lots are to be tested for virus. Annually 90-110 samples shall be tested for PVY and PVA. Approximately 140-150 samples shall be tested only for PVY. Pre basic lots, annually 70-90, shall be tested for PVY, PVA, PVM, PVS and PVX. Ring root test: ScopeAll seed potato lots are to be tested for ring root (*Clavibacter sepedonicus*). The estimated annual scope is 380-400 samples. The size of the sample is 200 tubers. Brown rot**Dickeya* spp.*There is no requirement for routine testing of brown root (*Ralstonia solanacearum*) and *Dickeya* spp. It may, however, be of interest to test all or some of the samples for brown rot and *Dickeya* spp as well as ring mess. Suppliers submitting tenders must also submit tenders for testing of brown rot and *Dickeya* spp in addition to ring root. The sample size is 200 tubers. The testing is to be carried out on the same samples which are analysed for ring root. The Buyer does not give any commitment on precise number of analyses to be purchased. For a further specification of the analyses, see Appendix 2 - The Buyer's requirement specification. Transport of the samples is not included in the tender. The

Buyer will arrange for the samples to be collected at Strand Unikorn in Moelv, Norway, and cargo to the laboratory together. The Buyer will arrange one or two deliveries of the samples in September/October. The costs of transport will be paid by the Buyer.

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 71900000 Laboratory services

Additional classification (cpv): 73111000 Research laboratory services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Norway

Anywhere in the given country

Additional information: Analysis of set potatoes

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 6 500 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Anskaffelsesforskriften - Open procedure

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Corruption: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a enforceable verdict has been convicted of corruption by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Corruption as defined in Article 3 of the Convention on Combating Corruption, Involving European Communities or European Union Member States (EUT C 195 of 25.6.1997, s. 1), and in Article 2, point 1, in the Council's framework decision 2003/568/RIA of 22 July 2003 on combating corruption in the private sector (EUT L 192 of 31.7.2003, p. 54). This rejection reason also includes corruption as defined in national law for the contracting authority or supplier.

Fraud: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted of fraud has been convicted of fraud by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Fraud included in Article 1 of the Convention on protection of the Financial Interests of the European Communities (EFT C 316 of 27.11.1995, p. 48).

Money laundering or terrorist financing: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of money laundering or financing terrorism by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Money laundering or financing terrorism As defined in Article 1 of the European Parliament and Council Directive 2005/60/EF of 26 October 2005 on preventive measures against the use of the financial system for money laundering and financing terrorism (EUT L 309 of 25.11.2005, p. 15).

Participation in a criminal organisation: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to

represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted verdict of participation in a criminal organisation by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of the Council's framework decision 2008/841/RIA of 24 October 2008 on control of organised crime (EUT L 300 of 11.11.2008, p. 42)

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body, or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of acts of terrorism or criminal acts connected to terrorist activities by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Acts of terrorism or criminal acts relating to terrorist activity as defined in Article 1 and 3 of the Council's framework decision 2002/475/RIA of 13 June 2002 on combating terrorism (EFT L 164, af 22.6.2002, p. 3). This rejection reason also includes incitement to, participation or attempts to commit such actions as included in Article 4 in the mentioned framework decision.

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of child labour and other forms of human trafficking by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Child labour and other forms of human trafficking as defined in Article 2 of the European Parliament and council directive 2011/36/EU of 5. 1 April 2011 on the prevention and control of human trafficking and the protection of its victims and for compensation of the Council's framework decision 2002/629/RIA (EUT L 101 of 15.4.2011, p. 1).

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions: Have tenderers failed to fulfil all their social security obligations in the country where they are established and in their member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes: Has the tenderer not fulfilled his tax and duty obligations in the country in which he is established, and in the contracting authority's member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

5. Lot

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5.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 71900000 Laboratory services

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Options:

Description of the options: Extend the contract for 1+1 year.

5.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Norway

Anywhere in the given country

Additional information: Analysis of set potatoes

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 72 Months

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: 1 + 1 year.

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 6 500 000,00 NOK

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

The names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to perform the contract must be given: Tender requirement

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice

Criterion: Enrolment in a trade register

Description of selection criterion: See the tender documentation

Criterion: Financial ratio

Description of selection criterion: See the tender documentation

Criterion: References on specified services

Description of selection criterion: See the tender documentation

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Quality

Description: See the tender documentation

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 20

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Environment

Description: See the tender documentation

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 30

Criterion:

Type: Price

Name: Price

Description: See the tender documentation

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 50

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: Norwegian

Deadline for requesting additional information: 05/03/2026 11:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Address of the procurement documents: <https://permalink.mercell.com/276413617.aspx>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://permalink.mercell.com/276413617.aspx>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Norwegian

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 20/03/2026 11:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 43 Days

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 20/03/2026 11:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

A non-disclosure agreement is required: no

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: no

Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: KOFA

Information about review deadlines: 10 day waiting period

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Mattilsynet

Registration number: 985399077

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Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: KOFA
Registration number: 918195548
Town: Bergen
Postcode: 5805
Country subdivision (NUTS): Extra-Regio NUTS 3 (NOZZZ)
Country: Norway

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

Notice information

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