

128597-2026 - Competition

Norway – Non-scheduled passenger transport – An agreement for school transport, booked traffic and sole rights to taxi operations in Indre Østfold and Våler 2026

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Østfold fylkeskommune

Email: kjetilg@ofk.no

Legal type of the buyer: Regional authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Indre Østfold kommune

Email: post@io.kommune.no

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Marker kommune

Email: post@marker.kommune.no

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Rakkestad kommune

Email: postmottak@rakkestad.kommune.no

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Skiptvet kommune

Email: post@skiptvet.kommune.no

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Våler kommune

Email: postmottak@valer.kommune.no

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a local authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: An agreement for school transport, booked traffic and sole rights to taxi operations in Indre Østfold and Våler 2026

Description: The procurement is for a framework agreement for individually facilitated school transport (ITS) and booked traffic, and an option contract for sole rights to taxi operations in each of sub-areas 1) Inner Østfold region (the municipalities Inner Østfold, Marker, Rakkestad and Skiptvet) and 2) Våler municipalities. The sole right to taxi operations is included as an option in the contract and does not enclose compensation from the contracting authority.

Procedure identifier: 273338dd-20bb-4a5d-9ad5-4ba25a97b0a4

Internal identifier: 2026/6470

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

Main features of the procedure: The competition will be held in accordance with the Public Procurement Act, 17 June 2016 no. 73 and the concession contract regulations ("KOA") dated 12 August 2016 no. 974. This procurement is open for anyone who fulfils the qualification requirements to participate. The contracting authority reserves the right to carry out negotiations after an evaluation of tenders in accordance with the provisions in koa.

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 60140000 Non-scheduled passenger transport

Additional classification (cpv): 60120000 Taxi services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)

Country: Norway

Additional information: The procurement includes transport assignments in Indre Østfold, Marker, Rakkestad, Skiptvet and Våler municipalities.

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 618 500 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document, European Single Procurement Document (ESPD)

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0000

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5.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 60140000 Non-scheduled passenger transport

Additional classification (cpv): 60120000 Taxi services

Options:

Description of the options: The assignment will be valid for 3 years from 1 August 2026. The contracting authority can choose to extend the contract for a further two years on verbatim terms , totalling up to five years.

5.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)

Country: Norway

Additional information: The procurement includes transport assignments in Indre Østfold, Marker, Rakkestad, Skiptvet and Våler municipalities.

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 01/08/2026

Duration end date: 31/07/2029

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: Renewal lenght is 12 months

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 618 500 000,00 NOK

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

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: Procurement Document, European Single Procurement Document (ESPD)

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Price

Name: Price under the framework agreement

Description: The combined price offer in the evaluation, based on the prerequisites in the procedure description, is calculated for a contract period of 5 years in total. Tenderers also have the possibility to submit a separate price offer for each of the option years.

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

Award criterion number: 40

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Environmental qualities under the framework agreement

Description: Environmental qualities will be assessed on the share of zero emission vehicles and other environmental measures under the Framework Agreement.

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

Award criterion number: 30

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Quality of option for sole rights contract

Description: The contracting authority will assess the organisation and measures etc. to ensure citizens the best possible taxi offer within each sub-area of the exclusive rights agreement.

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

Award criterion number: 30

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: Norwegian

Deadline for requesting additional information: 17/03/2026 23:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Address of the procurement documents: <https://tendsign.com/doc.aspx?MeFormsNoticId=84385>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://tendsign.com/doc.aspx?MeFormsNoticId=84385&GoTo=Tender>

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

Electronic catalogue: Allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Description of the financial guarantee: Tenderers shall, at the latest three (3) weeks after signing the contract, provide a demand guarantee to the contracting authority no later than 10% of the framework agreement's annual value to cover any requirement that the contracting authority has against the tenderer after the framework agreement from signing the contract to three months after the contract period expires. Security is not included in the framework agreement in Våler municipality.

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 27/03/2026 11:00:58 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 95 Days

Information that can be supplemented after the submission deadline:

No documents can be submitted later.

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 27/03/2026 11:01:00 (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: yes

Additional information about the non-disclosure agreement: A detailed overview of pupils and trips for the school year 2024/25 is available upon request to the Contracting Authority, but is subject to signing and submitting a confidentiality statement to the Contracting Authority.

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

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: Søndre Østfold tingrett

Information about review deadlines: All tenderers who have submitted a tender will receive a justified notification of which tender is chosen. There will be a waiting period of minimum ten (10) calendar days. The contracts will be signed immediately after the waiting period has expired.

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Østfold fylkeskommune

Organisation processing tenders: Østfold fylkeskommune

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Østfold fylkeskommune

Registration number: 930580694

Department: Samferdsel

Postal address: Oscar Pedersens vei 39

Town: Sarpsborg

Postcode: 1706

Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)

Country: Norway

Contact point: Kjetil Gaulen

Email: kjetilg@ofk.no

Telephone: 69 11 70 00

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Group leader

Organisation receiving requests to participate

Organisation processing tenders

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Søndre Østfold tingrett

Registration number: 926 722 808

Postal address: Postboks 113

Town: Fredrikstad

Postcode: 1601

Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)

Country: Norway

Email: sondre.ostfold.tingrett@domstol.no

Telephone: 69 79 77 00

Internet address: <https://www.domstol.no/no/domstoler/tingrett/sondre-ostfold-tingrett/>

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: Indre Østfold kommune

Registration number: 920123899

Postal address: Postboks 34

Town: Trøgstad

Postcode: 1861

Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)
Country: Norway
Email: post@io.kommune.no
Telephone: 69681000
Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

8.1. ORG-0004

Official name: Marker kommune
Registration number: 964944334
Postal address: Postboks 114
Town: Ørje
Postcode: 1871
Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)
Country: Norway
Email: post@marker.kommune.no
Telephone: 69810500
Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

8.1. ORG-0005

Official name: Rakkestad kommune
Registration number: 945372281
Postal address: Postboks 264
Town: Rakkestad
Postcode: 1891
Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)
Country: Norway
Email: postmottak@rakkestad.kommune.no
Telephone: 69225500
Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

8.1. ORG-0006

Official name: Skiptvet kommune
Registration number: 941962726
Postal address: Postboks 115
Town: Skiptvet
Postcode: 1806
Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)
Country: Norway
Email: post@skiptvet.kommune.no
Telephone: 69806000
Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

8.1. ORG-0007

Official name: Våler kommune
Registration number: 959272581
Postal address: Herredshuset - Kjosveien 1
Town: Våler i Østfold

Postcode: 1592
Country subdivision (NUTS): Østfold (NO083)
Country: Norway
Email: postmottak@valer.kommune.no
Telephone: 69289100
Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

Notice information

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