

United Kingdom-Cambridge: Telecommunication services except telephone and data transmission 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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Internet address(es):General address of the contracting authority: www.geant.orgAddress of the buyer profile: www.geant-procurement.net**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

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: the abovementioned address**I.2. Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

I.3. Main activity

Other: research and education networks

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**

AfricaConnect2 — WACREN tender for capacity between Lagos and Abidjan.

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

Services

NUTS code

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)

GEANT LTD is coordinating procurement efforts under the AfricaConnect2 (AC2) project. The project, funded by the European Commission Development and Cooperation-EuropeAid directorate (http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/index_en.htm), aims to establish a high-capacity network for research and education in West and Central African region, and to connect this network to the worldwide community of Research and Education Networks through GÉANT, the pan-European Research and Education Network operated by GEANT LTD.

The beneficiaries of AfricaConnect2 are the NRENs under WACREN, the regional research and Education Network for the West and Central African region.

This tender is for a layer 2 circuit between Lagos and Abidjan.

Contract may for ten or fifteen years as an IRU.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

64220000 Telecommunication services except telephone and data transmission 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

Capacity circuit between Abidjan and Lagos — offers invited for a range of bandwidths from 1gb to 10Gb.

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 120 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

Participants will be advised if this is needed during the procurement. Parent Co guarantees (or other guarantees of performance and financial stability) may be required by GEANT.

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

No specific legal form is required but if a contract is awarded to a consortium, GEANT may require the consortium to form a separate legal entity before entering into any contract.

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

No specific legal form is required but if a contract is awarded to a consortium, GEANT may require the consortium to form a separate legal entity before entering into any contract.

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: Candidates personal situation will be assessed on the basis of information provided in response to the Invitation to Tender (ITT). This procurement will be managed electronically via GEANT's eProcurement platform where all tender documents can be found. To participate in this procurement, participants must first be registered on www.geant-procurement.net

Please note that to register you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so. Full instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at www.geant-procurement.net

Once you have registered at www.geant-procurement.net a registered user can express an interest for a specific procurement.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: Candidates economic and financial capacity will be assessed according to the criteria set out within the ITT available from the GEANT procurement portal (see III.2.1.).

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

Candidates economic and financial capacity will be assessed according to the criteria set out within the ITT available from the GEANT procurement portal (see III.2.1.).

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

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

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

AC2 Cluster 2 WACREN Capacity Tender 2017

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2015/S 144-266148](#) of 29.7.2015

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

22.5.2017 - 12:00

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

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

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:
yes

Identification of the project: DCI-PANAF/2015/362-307.

VI.3. Additional information

www.africaconnect2.net

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: GEANT Ltd will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to Bidders. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which shall be for minimum of 10 calendar days provides time for unsuccessful bidders to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. the Public Contracts

Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed, or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules, to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

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

Official name: High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)Postal code: WC2A 2LL

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

18.4.2017