

167344-2026 - Competition

**Belgium – Research and experimental development services – Regional Maritime cooperation
'Assistance mechanism for the European Sea basins strategies in the Atlantic, Western
Mediterranean, Black and North Seas'**

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**Contract or concession notice – standard regime - Change notice
Services**

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA),
CINEA - European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency

Email: cinea-procurement@ec.europa.eu

Legal type of the buyer: EU institution, body or agency

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Regional Maritime cooperation 'Assistance mechanism for the European Sea basins
strategies in the Atlantic, Western Mediterranean, Black and North Seas'

Description: This procedure is to conclude one single contract to continue providing technical
assistance services for the implementation of four EU sea basin strategies: Atlantic Ocean,
Black Sea, Western Mediterranean and North Sea. The European Ocean Pact recognises the
benefit of sea basins cooperation and indicates that the EU will continue supporting it and
developing tailored strategies for each European sea basin. The service contract will support
the European Commission, Member States and third countries involved in the implementation
of the agreed policy objectives and priorities, through specific activities at national and regional
level, tailoring the specificities of each regional sea basin. Activities will include the provision of
specific expertise on the blue economy, regional work on maritime spatial planning, support to
smart specialisation partnerships, support to coastal communities at the sea basin level, blue
skills, capacity building, administrative support to relevant public authorities, stakeholder
community, national hubs and thematic working tracks, dissemination and communication
activities, partnership building and match-making, project definition and identification of
funding opportunities, organisation of annual events and workshops, reporting, logistic support
to the SBS Steering Committee meetings, among others.

Procedure identifier: 3ad7b6cb-9793-4686-bd78-da40244409ce

Internal identifier: CINEA/2026/OP/0001

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73100000 Research and experimental development services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 7 700 000,00 EUR

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: In case of unavailability or disruptions in the functioning of the electronic means of communication provided in Section 5.1.11 in the last 5 calendar days before the time limit for receipt indicated in Section 5.1.12, the contracting authority reserves the right to extend this time limit and publish the extension at the Internet address provided in Section 5.1.11, without a preceding publication of a corrigendum to this notice. Economic operators interested in this procurement are invited to subscribe to the call for tenders at the address in Section 5.1.11 in order to get notified when new information or documents are published.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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Internal identifier: CINEA/2026/OP/0001

5.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73100000 Research and experimental development services

Additional classification (cpv): 73200000 Research and development consultancy services, 73300000 Design and execution of research and development

5.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 52 Months

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 1

Other information about renewals: The contract is concluded for an initial period of 27 (twenty-seven) months, renewable 1 (one) time(s). Please consult the draft contract in the procurement documents.

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 7 700 000,00 EUR

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

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

Information about previous notices:

Identifier of the previous notice: 781366-2025

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

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

Award criterion number: 80

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

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

Award criterion number: 20

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Deadline for requesting additional information: 30/03/2026

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/3ad7b6cb-9793-4686-bd78-da40244409ce-CN?#anchorDocuments>

Ad hoc communication channel:

Name: Funding and Tenders Portal

URL: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/3ad7b6cb-9793-4686-bd78-da40244409ce-CN?#anchorDocuments>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/digit/opsys/esubmission?cftUuid=3ad7b6cb-9793-4686-bd78-da40244409ce>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Latvian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Swedish

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 10/04/2026 17:00:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 9 Months

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 13/04/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Terms of contract:

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

Electronic invoicing: Allowed

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: Court of Justice of the European Union

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA), CINEA - European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency (CINEA), CINEA - European Climate, Infrastructure and Environment Executive Agency

Registration number: CINEA

Department: CINEA - Directorate of CINEA, CINEA.D - Natural resources, climate, sustainable blue economy and clean energy, CINEA.D.D3 - Sustainable Blue Economy

Postal address: , Chaussée de Wavre 910

Town: Brussels

Postcode: B-1040

Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)

Country: Belgium

Email: cinea-procurement@ec.europa.eu

Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11

Internet address: https://cinea.ec.europa.eu/index_en

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Court of Justice of the European Union
Registration number: CURIA
Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünewald
Town: Luxembourg
Postcode: L-2925
Country subdivision (NUTS): Luxembourg (LU000)
Country: Luxembourg
Email: GC.Registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: European Commission
Registration number: EUCOM
Postal address: Mondrian (CDMA), Rue du Champ de Mars 21
Town: Brussels
Postcode: B-1050
Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)
Country: Belgium
Email: cinea-procurement@ec.europa.eu
Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11
Internet address: <https://commission.europa.eu/>

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

10. Change

Version of the previous notice to be changed

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Main reason for change

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Information updated

Description

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Revised version of the Tender Specifications will replace the previous version published on 20 /1/2026. Extension of deadline for receipt of tenders, for requesting additional information and opening date

Notice information

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