

Belgium-Brussels: Exercises on civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams and European Union civil protection teams (4 lots)

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO)

Postal address: L-86

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

E-mail: echo-civil-protection-tenders@ec.europa.eu

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://ec.europa.eu/echo/en/funding-evaluations/public-procurement/calls-for-tender>

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:

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Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3. Main activity

Other: Civil protection.

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

Exercises on civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams and European Union civil protection teams (4 lots).

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other 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)**

The purpose of this call for tender is to design, plan, conduct and evaluate specific exercises for civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST) and European Union civil protection teams (EUCPT) nominated by the participating States of the Union civil protection mechanism and deployable in civil protection missions under the mechanism, in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of the Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17.12.2013 on a Union Civil Protection Mechanism.

This tender procedure is divided into 4 lots.

The overall objective for lots 1 to 3 is to define a base scenario of an international deployment for exercises for the personnel and equipment of registered civil protection modules/TAST, other capacities of the voluntary pool and EUCPT. On the basis of this scenario the objective is to design, plan, conduct and self-evaluate specific exercises for civil protection modules, TAST, and EUCPT in civil protection. Specific exercise needs are, among others, the effective work in an international environment (including international guidelines), achieving high levels of interoperability (focus on management of the modules), self-sufficiency (logistics arrangements), establishing effective communication systems, as well as fostering exchanges of information about equipment and performing command structures. The contractor(s) of lots 1 to 3 also need to do a self-evaluation of the conduct of the exercise in order to improve their own performance. Lessons learnt from the exercises shall be immediately integrated into the subsequent exercises. All exercises shall enhance the operational cooperation between the participating States' modules, TAST, as well as the EUCPT and also test the coordination of EU civil protection assistance in accordance with rules and regulations. The exchange of information of different equipment and of information of command structures and communication tools is also important. Moreover, the exercises need to recreate conditions of the international environment of mechanism interventions, including the interactions of modules, TAST, and EUCPT with humanitarian and other relevant international actors. The purpose of lot 4 (modules exercises evaluation) is the improvement of the Union civil protection mechanism as a whole (performance of duties, procedures, understanding, etc.) and the improvement of the methodology of module exercise planning and conducting exercises.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

80560000 Health and first-aid training 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: yes
Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

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 contract duration is 24 months (non-renewable). The maximum budget allocated is 520 000 EUR for lot 1, 1 150 000 EUR for lot 2, 1 950 000 EUR for lot 3 and 230 000 EUR for lot 4.
Estimated value excluding VAT: 3 850 000 EUR

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: 24 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and self-evaluate 5 table top exercises for key personnel of civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST), experts of a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT) as well as other capacities of the voluntary pool

1) Short description

The contractor shall design a base scenario for a table-top exercise for key personnel of civil protection modules, TAST as well as a EUCPT and then plan and conduct 5 exercises on the basis of the designed model. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of a maximum of 26 participants (consisting of 20 key personnel of modules, 2 key personnel of TAST or at least TAST trained plus 4 Union mechanism-trained experts to establish an on-site coordination hub as part of the exercise). Each exercise shall last 2,5 days (travel time excluded). The exercises shall be conducted during the period October 2016 to September 2017.

2) CPV code(s)

80560000 Health and first-aid training services

3) Quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 520 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and self-evaluate 4 exercises for high-capacity pumping, water purification, CBRN detection and sampling, flood rescue using boats, advanced medical post with or without surgery (AMP/S), technical assistance and support team (TAST), experts of a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT) as well as other capacities of the voluntary pool

1) Short description

The contractor shall design the base scenario for a functional exercise and then plan and

conduct 4 exercises on this basis and self-evaluate exercises after the conduct. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of participation of at least 3 civil protection modules from different participating States and up to 3 other capacities of the voluntary pool. This can be a different combination chosen from high-capacity pumping, water purification, CBRN detection and sampling modules, flood rescue using boats (FRB), advanced medical post with or without surgery (AMP/S), up to 3 relevant other capacities of the voluntary pool and 1 TAST from different participating States as well as a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT) of 5 experts to establish an on-site operations coordination centre. If there are other capacities participating in the exercise, after consultation with the Commission, the final combination in a given exercise could be of 2 modules and other capacities. Participation of capacities shall be confirmed by participating States (through contract or letter of intent). Each exercise shall last for 4 days (including arrival and departure times). The exercises shall be conducted during the period of October 2016 to September 2017.

2) CPV code(s)

80560000 Health and first-aid training services

3) Quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 150 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and self-evaluate 5 exercises for medium/heavy urban search and rescue (USAR), USAR in CBRN conditions (CBRNUSAR), advanced medical post with or without surgery (AMP/S), field hospital (FHOS), technical assistance and support team (TAST), experts of a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT) as well as other capacities of the voluntary pool

1) Short description

The contractor shall design a base scenario of a functional exercise and then plan and conduct 5 exercises on this basis. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of participation of at least 3 USAR and/or AMP/S, field hospital (FHOS), up to 3 relevant other capacities of the voluntary pool and 1 TAST from different participating States as well as a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT) of 5 experts to establish an on-site operation and coordination centre. One of the exercises shall be only for medical modules and relevant medical capacities, TAST and EUCPT. If there are other capacities participating in the exercise, after consultation with the Commission, the final combination in a given exercise could be of 2 modules and other capacities. Participation of capacities shall be confirmed by participating States (through contract or letter of intent). Each exercise shall last 4 days (including arrival and departure times). The exercises shall be conducted during the period of October 2016 to September 2017.

2) CPV code(s)

80560000 Health and first-aid training services

3) Quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 950 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

100 000 EUR is allocated for the participation of third countries.

Lot No: 4

Lot title: Design, plan and conduct an evaluation for the Union civil protection modules exercises organised by the other contractors of the 3 lots of this tender. There will be 5 table-top exercises and 9 field exercises for key personnel of civil protection modules, civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST) as well as experts of a European Union civil protection team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design an evaluation process for table-top and field exercises and then participate in and evaluate 14 exercises (5 table-top exercises and 9 field exercises) on this basis. Minimum amount of the evaluators is 2 for table-top exercises and 4 for field exercises. The exercises shall be conducted during the period of October 2016 to September 2017.

2) CPV code(s)

80560000 Health and first-aid training services

3) Quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 230 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

The contractor may be required to provide a guarantee for the amount of the pre-financing equivalent to 30 % of the total amount of the contract, in compliance with Article I.4 of the draft contract. The Commission reserves the right to cancel the pre-financing foreseen, according to its management risk analysis or in the case that the awarded tenderer refuses such a pre-financing guarantee, and to modify the final version of the contract accordingly.

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

The payment scheme will consist of:

- pre-financing payment of 30 % of the total amount of the contract,
- 1 interim payment of 40 % of the total amount of the contract,
- payment of the balance.

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

Consortia of economic operators are explicitly authorised to submit tenders. The Commission will not demand the consortia to take a given legal form in order to be allowed to submit a tender or request to take part, but the consortium may be required to adopt a given legal form after it has been awarded the contract, if this change is necessary for the proper performance of the contract.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

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: Proof that the tenderers are authorised to perform the contract under national law, as evidenced by inclusion in a professional or trade register or a sworn declaration or certificate, membership of a specific organisation, express authorisation, or entry in the VAT register.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: Please refer to tender specifications.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:
Please refer to tender specifications.

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

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

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

ECHO/B1/SER/2015/05.

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2015/S 20-031538](#) of 29.1.2015

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

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 15.8.2015

Payable documents: no

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

24.8.2015

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

Any EU official language

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in days: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 31.8.2015

Place:

ERCC meeting room, rue de la Loi 86, 1040 Brussels, BELGIUM.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Not more than 1 representative per tenderer (with proof of identity). The name of the representative must be communicated to the contact point by e-mail no later than 2 working days before the opening session.

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: Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17.12.2013.

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: General Court of the European Union

Postal address: rue du Fort Niedergrünwald

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: 2925

Country: Luxembourg

E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 4303-2100
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff, or, in the absence thereof, of the day on which it came to knowledge of the plaintiff. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have an effect either to suspend this period or to open a new period for lodging appeals.

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

Official name: General Court of the European Union
Town: Luxembourg
Country: Luxembourg

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

1.6.2015