

**Norway-Oslo: Research and development services and related consultancy services**

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

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E-mail: [support@mercell.com](mailto:support@mercell.com)Internet address: <http://permalink.mercell.com/51504769.aspx>**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:**

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E-mail: [support@mercell.com](mailto:support@mercell.com)Internet address: <http://permalink.mercell.com/51504769.aspx>**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** Official name: Mercell Norge AS

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E-mail: [support@mercell.com](mailto:support@mercell.com)Internet address: <http://permalink.mercell.com/51504769.aspx>**I.2. Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

### **I.3. Main activity**

General public services

### **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**

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### **II.1. Description**

#### **II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

15/3004 Program to increase the completion rates in upper secondary education — Systemativ experiments and effect evaluation of measures.

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

Services

Service category No 8: Research and development services

Main site or place of performance: Oslo, Norway.

NUTS code NO011 Oslo

#### **II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

#### **II.1.4. Information about framework agreement**

#### **II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

Pre-qualification for competitive dialogue:

The purpose of the competitive dialogue is to reach final project proposals for systematic experiments to increase the completion of upper secondary education. The experiments will start up as of autumn 2016. The present announcement describes how the research tenderers can qualify to participate in the competitive dialogue. Applications for pre-qualification should provide a brief and general description of the measures to increase the competition in upper secondary education which the tenderers are planning to systematically try out. The application must contain a letter of intent with the regional government or the county municipalities in which the tenderer plans to cooperate with. The application shall further fulfil the qualification requirements discussed under point four in this document. The pre-qualification of the research tenderers will occur based on the selection criteria discussed under point 5. The Ministry intends to invite about five qualified tenderers/teams to dialogue meetings with the Contracting Authority. The dialogue between the Contracting Authority and tenderers occurs according to PPR §20-8. All research tenderers that pre-qualify and are thereby invited to the dialogue phase will be compensated for work related to the tender, with 150 000 NOK including VAT per application/team. The Ministry encourages collaboration between various research institutes and requests also that the research tenderers consider establishing cooperation with relevant international research institutes cf. the awarding criteria under point 6. The same research institute can apply for several projects in this announcement. The dialogue phase of the tender contest will continue until the Contracting Authority closes the process and requests an official tender offer including a final project description from the research tenderer, cf. point 2.2. for more detailed representation of the dialogue phase of the tender. The Contracting Authority can also choose to close the dialogue with a certain tenderer if the drafted project proposal is assessed to not be able to meet the requirements the Contracting Authority imposes on the assignment. In such cases, the Contracting Authority reserves the right to truncate the funds that are given to the research tenderers for work with the tenderer. The final offers on solution proposals will be evaluated in

accordance with PPR §20-9. The awarding criteria for the final tender offer for solution proposals is described under point 6 of this tender document. These criteria will be able to be supplemented or clarified as a result of the dialogue.

For a more detailed description, see the pre-qualification documentation.

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#### **II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy 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: 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**

All research tenderers that pre-qualify and are thereby invited to the dialogue phase will be compensated for work related to the tender, with 150 000 NOK including VAT per application /team.

Both expenses for research assignments and the implementation of the measures shall be financed within the framework of the subsidy in chapter 226, item 60, cf. discussion in the Draft Resolution 1 S (2014-2015). In the national budget for 2015, around 40 000 000 NOK was allocated across this budget item. Therefore there will be a total of around 120 000 000 NOK available through the project period (2016-2019), cf. point 2.1.

See the pre-qualification documentation.

#### **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**

## **Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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### **III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

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

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

#### **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**

**III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

**III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

**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: no

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

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competitive dialogue

**IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: See the tender documentation.

**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**

15/3004

**IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

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

Payable documents: no

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

15.9.2015 - 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**

Other: Norwegian.

**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**

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**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:  
no

**VI.3. Additional information**

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

**VI.4.2. Review procedure**

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

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

11.6.2015