

CH-Berne: miscellaneous services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: East Asia Division

Postal address: Freiburgstrasse 130

Town: Berne

Postal code: 3003

Country: Switzerland

For the attention of: Katja Götz

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General address of the contracting authority: www.sdc.admin.ch

Additional information can be obtained from:

Official name: East Asia Division

Internet address: http://www.simap.ch/shabforms/servlet/Search?NOTICE_NR=743139

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: Official name: Please do not open Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) East Asia Division

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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

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

Backstopping to the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) for its contributions to the Water Financing Partnership Facility (WFPF) of the Asian Development Bank (AsDB) and to the Mekong River Commission (MRC).

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

Main site or place of performance: Switzerland, Vientiane, Manila, Mekong, CAREC, International.

NUTS code

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)

The Backstopping Consultancy aims at supporting the SDC East Asia Division in the fulfillment of the defined objectives in the 2 partnerships with Asian Development Bank (AsDB) and Mekong River Commission (MRC) through specialized, flexibly employable and well-networked expertise. While the WFPF Contribution is managed directly from the SDC EAD Division Berne, the support to the MRC is managed by the Swiss Cooperation Office (SCO) in Vientiane, Laos.

Backstopping for SDC's WFPF Contribution: — Liaise with concerned SCOs in the Mekong and CAREC Region and ensure that they are informed and consulted where necessary for the fulfilment of the mandate as described in the points below. Ensure that lessons learned from existing cooperation activities between SCOs and AsDB in Water for Food (e.g. Uzbekistan) are taken into consideration for the fulfilment of the mandate,

— Provide written comments and recommendations for Swiss funded interventions on Water for Food in AsDB and in particular for the annual WFPF donor meetings, where the Annual Report, the strategic direction of the WFPF and its Annual Program of pipeline projects are discussed, and, upon request, participate in donor meetings on behalf of or with SDC,

— Write comments and recommendations for draft proposals on Water for Food received from Project Officers in AsDB's regional departments with special consideration to Gender Mainstreaming, Conflict Sensitive Program Management as well as Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction,

— Liaise with AsDB's Project Officers involved in water for food projects in the Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture Division as well as in the Mekong and the CAREC Region (in Manila or in the respective AsDB Resident Missions) and exchange every 3 months on the further elaboration, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of the WFPF financed Water for Food projects in these 2 regions, as well as in identifying potential projects that can be supported by WFPF,

— Support AsDB in identifying suitable consultants or staff for AsDB operations upon request,

— Participate in at least one mission (appraisal, supervision or evaluation of a WFPF financed project) per year with contributions derived from Swiss and AsDB experiences in water for food in the Mekong and the CAREC Regions,

— Engage in knowledge exchange with AsDB on Water for Food (with special consideration to Gender Mainstreaming, Conflict Sensitive Program Management as well as Climate Change and Disaster Risk Reduction) related to research, studies, publications, seminars, workshops and conferences led by AsDB,

— Contribute to AsDB's knowledge work with experiences on Water for Food either directly or through other members of the Swiss Water Partnership,

— Contribute directly or indicate suitable speakers from Swiss Water Partnership members to AsDB organized seminars, workshops and conferences,

— Share knowledge gained and experiences made through the interactions with the AsDB with the members of the Swiss Water Partnership,

— Support eligible civil society or governmental partners of Swiss Water Partnership Members

in the field to submit financing requests to the WFPF-funded Facility for Pilot and Demonstration Activity (PDA).

Backstopping for SDC's MRC Contribution: — Maintain fluid institutional relations with the SCO Vientiane: person responsible for the MRC, advising and supporting on different issues related to Water Management in the Mekong region and to the MRC (on request); — Support SCO-staff to ensure the strategic and operational follow-up of the supported programs: Basin Development Program (BDP) and Environment Program (EP), analyzing and commenting project documents; — Participate on behalf of or with SDC in the Strategic Committees of these programs or provide SDC with inputs for these meetings; — Support the Swiss delegation at the official meetings of the MRC (Joint Donor Meeting, Council Meeting).

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

98300000 Miscellaneous 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

II.2.2. Information about options

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Start 1.10.2012. Completion 30.9.2014

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

None.

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

Permitted Special defaults: permitted on condition that one enterprise will be the overall responsible contracting partner and take the lead in the consortium. The leading partner should be clearly defined in the documents.

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

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

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

IV.3. Administrative information

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

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

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

28.8.2012 - 17:30

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

Duration in days: 120 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

VI.3. Additional information

Partial offers are not permitted.

Conditions for countries not party to the WTO agreement: None.

Negotiations: remain reserved.

Basic procedural principles: The client only awards public commissions for services in Switzerland to tenderers who comply with job security regulations and the conditions of work for employees, and provide equal payment for men and women.

Additional information: 1) SDC reserves the right to directly award follow-up phases to the winner of this tender, provided the performance of the selected organization(s) is of high quality. 2) Statement of rights of redress: The decisions made during the procedure are not on the level of official ordinances. Filing an appeal is excluded.

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Delivery date / remarks:

Deadline / remarks: 1 original and 2 copies, plus EDP medium as CD, DVD or memory stick.

National reference publication: Simap of 17.7.2012, doc. 743139.

Desired deadline for questions in written form: 7.8.2012.

Conditions for obtaining the tendering documentation: the documentation on the public call to tender for the project mentioned can be downloaded from the platform www.simap.ch under: running procedures, Confederation, Invitations to tender. In order to do so, you first have to register in the above-mentioned project. You will then be able to log in and use the password that you will have been sent by e-mail to download the documentation desired.

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

17.7.2012