

Switzerland-Berne: Foreign affairs and other 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

Internet address(es):

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

Additional information can be obtained from:

Official name: East Asia Division

Internet address: http://www.simap.ch/shabforms/servlet/Search?NOTICE_NR=784625

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) Swiss Cooperation Office Vientiane

Postal address: House No. 192/1, Sibounheuang Road

Town: Vientiane Capital

Postal code: 0

Country: Laos

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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

The Mekong Region Land Governance Project will support reform actors in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam to secure tenure of and access to land for smallholder farmers and to influence policy, through peer learning and policy advocacy.

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: Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam.
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 Governments of Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar and Vietnam increasingly provide long-term land concessions to investors, making tenure insecurity the main driver of new poverty. SDC is addressing land and forest governance issues with current and planned bilateral programs in these countries. At global level, SDC has supported, inter alia, the development of "Voluntary Guidelines on the responsible Governance of Tenure (...)" (FAO, 2012). A recent study has shown that there would be significant merit in a complementary regional project.

The project is expected to contribute to smallholder farmers in CLMV countries having secure and equitable access to and control over agricultural land, forest, and fisheries. Expected project outcomes are (1) Reform actors in the CLMV countries are more effective in securing smallholder tenure, and (2) Policies, institutions, and practice on land use and land related investment in the CLMV countries promote smallholder tenure security and related public goods. The intervention strategy for outcome 1 is to facilitate peer learning and to distill good practices. Interventions for outcome 2 are policy advocacy, support to reform actors and organizational development. The project includes a "Quick Disbursement Fund" to support reform initiatives. It is planned for 8 years and 16 000 000 CHF for the learning and policy components and QDF, with additional contributions from third parties for an "Innovation Fund" to allow application of new approaches by reform actors. It will be implemented by an organization/consortium that is already engaged in land governance in the Mekong region.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

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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 15.12.2013. Completion 31.12.2017

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

Consortia of bidders are permitted. If a bidder participates in the procedure as part of a consortium, he must identify a member of the consortium who performs the lead function (deputisation, co-ordination). The bidder lists all members and their roles. All members of the consortium together bear responsibility for the bid.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: yes

Description of particular conditions: Subcontractor: Subcontractors are permitted. If the bidder engages a subcontractor to provide certain services, the bidder bears full responsibility for the provided services. He lists all subcontractors involved with their assigned roles.

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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Restricted

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

Envisaged number of candidates: 3

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

7F-08757

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

13.8.2013

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: 180 (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.

Terms of business: General Conditions of Business (GCB) for Project Implementation Mandates – Version July 2012.

Negotiations: remain reserved.

Basic procedural principles: The contracting authority awards public contracts for services provided in Switzerland only to bidders who ensure compliance with the health and safety regulations and employment conditions for employees, as well as equal pay for women and men. If the service is provided abroad, the bidder must ensure at least compliance with the International Labour Organization's fundamental conventions in accordance with Annex 2a PPO. These principles shall be deemed accepted by the Contractor on submission of the offer.

Additional information: The tender proceeds in accordance with Section 3 of the Federal Ordinance on Public Procurement (FOPP). There is no right of appeal (www.simap.ch)

Deadline/Remarks: Participant applications contain all documentation in accordance with Section 5 Contents of the participant applications and are to be submitted as follows:

- a. 1 original signed hard copy labeled "Original,"
- b. 2 signed copies labeled "Signed Copy,"
- c. 1 data storage device (e.g. CD, DVD or Memory Stick) of all documents.

National reference publication: Simap of 19.7.2013 , doc. 784625

Desired deadline for questions in written form: 28.7.2013

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

19.7.2013