

Belgium-Brussels: Framework Contract Supporting Measures to Enhance Cooperation between Public Employment Services (PES)

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Contract award notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (EMPL), EMPL.E.1

Postal address: Joseph II 27 (J-27)

Town: Brussels

NUTS code: BE100 Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

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Internet address(es):

Main address: http://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/employment-social-affairs-and-inclusion_en

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement**II.1.1. Title**

Framework Contract Supporting Measures to Enhance Cooperation between Public Employment Services (PES)

Reference number: EMPL/2022/OP/0010

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79411000 General management consultancy services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

VT/2022/001 – see procurement documents.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 10 600 000,00 EUR

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

VT/2022/001 – Mutual Learning, Mutual Assistance and Supporting Services

Lot No: 2

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79411000 General management consultancy services, 79315000 Social research services, 79421000 Project-management services other than for construction work

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: BE100 Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad

Main site or place of performance: The main place of performance of the tasks shall be contractor's premises or any other place indicated in the tender, with the exception of the Commission's premises.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

Public employment services (PES) are the main agencies carrying out employment policies directly accountable to governments. They are set up to facilitate the labour market integration of jobseekers and the payment of unemployment and/or welfare benefits. Although structured differently in each country, all PES help match supply and demand in the labour market through information, placement and active support services at local, national and European levels. PES are also the main actors implementing activation policies in the Member States, and they play an important role in facilitating successful labour market transitions and integration. The quality of their services has direct consequences for the impact of employment policies on the ground. All of the above make PES key actors in fighting unemployment in Europe. The objective of the call for tender is implementation of Union-wide, evidence-based bench learning among PES to compare, the performance of their activities in the areas of PES responsibility, This activity will be complemented by technical support to provision of mutual assistance, either in the form of peer-to-peer or group activities, through cooperation, exchanges of information, experiences and staff between the members of the PES Network, thus contributing to the modernisation and strengthening of PES in key areas, in view of the Union's employment and social policies.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Relevance of the tender and its expected results in relation to the subject of the call for tender, and the overarching policy context / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of the proposed methodology for service delivery and work organisation / Weighting: 40

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of the exemplary approaches and methodologies proposed as part of technical offer / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Quality control system applied to the service / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.13. 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: Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2022/S 128-363206](#)

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: VC/2023/0017

Lot No: 2

Title:

VT/2022/001 – Mutual Learning

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

21/02/2023

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: ICF S.A.

National registration number: 0820 347 311

Postal address: Avenue Marnix 17
Town: Brussels
NUTS code: BE10 Région de Bruxelles-Capitale/ Brussels Hoofdstedelijk Gewest
Postal code: 1000
Country: Belgium
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: ICF Consulting Services Limited (UK)
Postal address: Riverscape, 10 Queen St Place
Town: London
NUTS code: UKI London
Postal code: EC4 R1BE
Country: United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 7 000 000,00 EUR
Total value of the contract/lot: 7 000 000,00 EUR

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties Proportion: 5 %

Section VI: Complementary information

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: L-2925
Country: Luxembourg
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

19/04/2023