

265308-2026 - Competition

Germany – Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services – 10002570-Studies and Consultancy Service in Trade in Circular Economy

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking, controlled by a central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: 10002570-Studies and Consultancy Service in Trade in Circular Economy

Description: The project "Promoting Trade-related Aspects for Circular Economy in ASEAN (TRACE)" supports the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) in operationalising trade-related aspects of the circular economy (CE). Commissioned by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and implemented by GIZ, the project works in close cooperation with the ASEAN Secretariat, particularly the Trade Facilitation Division (TFD), as well as relevant ASEAN Sectoral Bodies and selected ASEAN Member States (AMS). ASEAN has experienced strong economic growth and increasing trade volumes over the past decade. At the same time, rising resource consumption and waste generation pose major environmental and economic challenges. Circular economy approaches offer significant potential to reduce resource use, promote recycling and reuse, and foster sustainable and inclusive growth. However, CE-related trade measures and regulatory frameworks across ASEAN remain fragmented and unevenly developed. The project builds on the ASEAN Framework for Circular Economy for the AEC and the ASEAN Strategy for Carbon Neutrality, as well as the upgraded ASEAN Trade in Goods Agreement (ATIGA), which explicitly recognises circular economy as an area for trade - environment cooperation. It aims to strengthen the capacities of ASEAN bodies and national authorities to integrate CE considerations into trade policy, improve regulatory coherence, and facilitate the movement of circular goods and secondary materials across borders. TRACE applies a multi-level capacity development approach addressing (i) individual competencies of policymakers and officials, (ii) organisational processes and inter-agency coordination, and (iii) public-private dialogue and regional peer learning. At national level, Cambodia, Lao PDR and Viet Nam receive targeted support. A dedicated focus is placed on strengthening the role of the private sector, including SMEs and women-led enterprises, in shaping and benefiting from circular trade. The overall objective is that trade-related aspects of the circular economy are operationalised by relevant public and private sector actors in the ASEAN region.

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Internal identifier: 10002570

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 90000000 Sewage, refuse, cleaning and environmental services

Additional classification (cpv): 75000000 Administration, defence and social security services, 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Indonesia

Additional information: ASEAN countries

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: #Bekanntmachungs-ID: CXTRY6YT88VSNQ4# All communication takes place in English via communication tool in the project area of the procurement portal.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

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2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Participation in a criminal organisation: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Money laundering or terrorist financing: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Fraud: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Corruption: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Insolvency: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Assets being administered by liquidator: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Business activities are suspended: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Analogous situation like bankruptcy, insolvency or arrangement with creditors under national law: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Grave professional misconduct: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Early termination, damages, or other comparable sanctions: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or obtained confidential information of this procedure: In accordance with §§ 123,124 GWB, § 22 LkSG

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

Title: 10002570-Studies and Consultancy Service in Trade in Circular Economy

Description: The contractor will provide analytical, advisory and capacity development services structured around five interlinked work packages. Work Package 1 - Analysis of Current Practice and Legal Frameworks The contractor will analyse cross-border material flows and CE-relevant product streams in ASEAN, identifying key sectors (including electrical and electronic equipment, textiles and plastics) and assessing strengths, weaknesses, barriers and opportunities. A comprehensive review of ASEAN-level agreements and national regulatory frameworks - with a focus on Cambodia, Lao PDR and Viet Nam - will be conducted, including relevant Multilateral Environmental Agreements (e.g. Basel Convention), HS/AHTN classifications and customs procedures. The contractor will identify regulatory gaps, assess harmonisation needs, and develop tailored recommendations to strengthen regional coherence and facilitate circular trade. International best practices will be compiled and adapted to the ASEAN context. Work Package 2 - Capacity Development of ASEAN Bodies Based on the analytical findings, the contractor will design and implement a capacity development strategy for relevant ASEAN Sectoral Bodies (including CCA, ATF-JCC, CCC and CECWG). This includes needs assessments, development of training modules, technical advisory support, and facilitation of policy dialogues. The contractor will support the integration of CE-related provisions into regional trade frameworks, including ATIGA and other RTAs, and assist ASEAN bodies in developing proposals and roadmap elements on trade-related circular economy aspects. Work Package 3 - Capacity Development of National Authorities At national level, with particular focus on Cambodia, Lao PDR and Viet Nam, the contractor will strengthen the capacity of ministries and relevant institutions to develop and adapt national requirements related to CE and trade. Activities include national gap assessments, advisory services on regulatory reforms, peer learning among AMS, facilitation of inter-ministerial coordination, and support for impact assessments and policy formulation. The objective is to develop concrete proposals for improved regulatory frameworks and national requirements. Work Package 4 - Private Sector Engagement and Public-Private Dialogue The contractor will support business associations and companies, especially women-led enterprises, to strengthen their engagement in policy processes and develop circular business models with cross-border relevance. Capacity building, matchmaking, regional exchanges and facilitation of public-private dialogues will enable the formulation of private sector recommendations for improved regulatory environments. The contractor will also support cross-border peer learning among businesses in selected ASEAN Member States. Work Package 5 - Customs Cooperation and Green Customs Technical assistance will be provided to customs authorities to enhance control and facilitation of CE-related goods and environmentally sensitive shipments. The contractor will conduct customs capacity needs assessments, deliver targeted training (including on MEAs, green customs, HS classification, and digital risk management tools), and develop recommendations to improve national customs practices and regional alignment. Particular attention will be given to Cambodia, Lao PDR and Viet Nam, while facilitating ASEAN-wide peer exchange. Across all work packages, the contractor will ensure

results-based monitoring, regular reporting, coordination with GIZ and ASEAN partners, and integration of gender and conflict-sensitive approaches. The services aim to contribute directly to the development of regional and national proposals, strengthened institutional capacities, and enhanced private sector participation in trade-related aspects of the circular economy.
Internal identifier: 10002570

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Options:

Description of the options: GIZ may optionally commission contract amendments and/or increases based on the criteria in the tender documents to the successful bidder of this tender. For details, please see the terms of reference.

5.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Indonesia

Additional information: ASEAN countries

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 24/07/2026

Duration end date: 31/03/2029

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: GIZ may optionally commission contract amendments and /or increases based on the criteria in the tender documents to the successful bidder of this tender. For details, please see the terms of reference.

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

The names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to perform the contract must be given: Not required

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

This procurement is also suitable for small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs): yes

Additional information: #Besonders auch geeignet für:selbst#, #Besonders auch geeignet für: other-sme#

5.1.7. Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: Reduction of environmental impacts

Description: see tender documents

Aim of strategic procurement: Fulfilment of social objectives

Description: see tender documents

Approach to reducing environmental impacts: The protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems, The transition to a circular economy, Climate change adaptation, Climate change mitigation, Pollution prevention and control

Social objective promoted: Ethnic equality, Gender equality, Human rights due diligence in global supply chains, Employment opportunities for the long-term unemployed, disadvantaged and/or for persons with disabilities, Fair working conditions, Other

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-A1: Principles for the execution of orders (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): The eligibility criteria are not from the same category as stipulated above, as there is no suitable category. 1. Self-declaration: name of company and address, tax ID, registration and commercial register number or equivalent register in accordance with the legal provisions of the country of origin. 2. No grounds for exclusion pursuant to § 123, § 124 GWB, § 22 LkSG, EU-Russia sanctions 3. Declaration of bidding consortium and/or declaration of subcontractors (if applicable)

Criterion: References on specified services

Description of selection criterion: EN-B1: Technical and professional ability (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): 1. The technical assessment is only based on reference projects with a minimum commission value of 100,000.00 EUR (net). 2. At least 1 reference project in a technical field related to trade in the last 36 months (reference date: date of publication of this tender); And at least 2 reference projects in the technical field of circular economy in the last 36 months (reference date: date of publication of this tender); Out of which (both technical fields) at least 1 reference in an ASEAN country (Brunei Darussalam, Burma/ Myanmar, Cambodia, Indonesia, Laos, Malaysia, Philippines, Singapore, Timor Leste, Thailand, Vietnam) in the last 36 months.

Criterion: Average yearly turnover

Description of selection criterion: EN-C1: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average annual turnover for the last three years (last-but-four financial year can be included in case of tenders held within 6 months of end of last financial year), at least: 650,000.00 EUR (net).

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: EN-C2: Economic and financial standing (Mit dem Angebot; Mittels Eigenerklärung): Average number of employees and managers in the last three calendar years, at least 5 persons.

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Price

Name: Preis

Description: Price criteria for "Bestangebots-Quotienten-Methode"

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (points, exact)

Award criterion number: 30

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung (inkl. Mindbed.)

Description: Zur Ermittlung des wirtschaftlichsten Bieters wird hier von der Vergabestelle die erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung eingetragen. Es werden nur Angebote mit einer fachlichen Bewertung von mindestens 500 Punkten gewertet. Fachliche Angebote mit weniger Punkten scheiden als fachlich ungeeignet aus.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (points, exact)

Award criterion number: 70

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Name: Erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung (inkl. Mindbed.)

Description: Zur Ermittlung des wirtschaftlichsten Bieters wird hier von der Vergabestelle die erreichte Gesamtpunktzahl nach fachlicher Wertung eingetragen. Es werden nur Angebote mit einer fachlichen Bewertung von mindestens 500 Punkten gewertet. Fachliche Angebote mit weniger Punkten scheiden als fachlich ungeeignet aus.

Category of award threshold criterion: Minimum score

Award criterion number: 500

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: English

Deadline for requesting additional information: 18/05/2026 23:59:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YT88VSNQ4/documents>

Ad hoc communication channel:

URL: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YT88VSNQ4>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement**Terms of submission:**

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://ausschreibungen.giz.de/Satellite/notice/CXTRYY6YT88VSNQ4>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: German, English

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Variants: Not allowed

Tenderers may submit more than one tender: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 26/05/2026 12:00:00 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 127 Days

Information that can be supplemented after the submission deadline:

At the discretion of the buyer, some missing tenderer-related documents may be submitted later.

Additional information: GIZ asks the applicant or bidder to submit, complete or correct documents, within the framework laid down by law.

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Conditions relating to the performance of the contract: The execution conditions result from the information given in the contract notice and the tender documents.

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15. Techniques**Framework agreement:**

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Vergabekammern des Bundes

Information about review deadlines: According to Article 160, Section 3 of the German Act Against Restraint of Competition (GWB), application for review is not permissible insofar as 1. the applicant has identified the claimed infringement of the procurement rules before submitting the application for review and has not submitted a complaint to the contracting authority within a period of 10 calendar days; the expiry of the period pursuant to Article 134, Section 2 remains unaffected, 2. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that are evident in the tender notice are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for the application or by the deadline for the submission of bids, specified in the tender notice. 3. complaints of infringements of procurement rules that first become evident in the tender documents are not submitted to the contracting authority at the latest by the expiry of the deadline for application or by the deadline for the submission of bids, 4. more than 15 calendar days have expired since receipt of notification from the contracting authority that it is unwilling to redress the complaint. Sentence 1 does not apply in the case of an application to determine the invalidity of the contract in accordance with Article 135, Section 1 (2). Article 134, Section 1, Sentence 2 remains unaffected.

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

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Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure

Organisation receiving requests to participate

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Vergabekammern des Bundes

Registration number: 022894990

Postal address: Kaiser-Friedrich-Straße 16

Town: Bonn

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Country subdivision (NUTS): Bonn, Kreisfreie Stadt (DEA22)

Country: Germany

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Internet address: <https://www.bundeskartellamt.de>

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: Datenservice Öffentlicher Einkauf (in Verantwortung des Beschaffungsamts des BMI)

Registration number: 0204:994-DOEVD-83

Town: Bonn

Postcode: 53119

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Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

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