Belgium-Brussels: Framework Contract for the Recognition of Equivalence of Supply Chain Due Diligence Schemes under the Regulation (EU)2017/821 (Conflict Minerals)

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**Contract 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 Trade (TRADE), TRADE.C - Africa, Caribbean and Pacific, Asia (II), Trade and Sustainable Development, Green Deal

Postal address: Rue de la Loi 170

Town: Brussels

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

Postal code: 1049 Country: Belgium

E-mail: trade-contracts@ec.europa.eu

Internet address(es):

Main address: https://ec.europa.eu/trade/trade-policy-and-you/calls-for-tender/

### I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <a href="https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=13946">https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=13946</a>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <a href="https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=13946">https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=13946</a>

## 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 for the Recognition of Equivalence of Supply Chain Due Diligence Schemes under the Regulation (EU)2017/821 (Conflict Minerals)

Reference number: TRADE/2023/OP/0011

## II.1.2. Main CPV code

79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

## II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

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## II.1.4. Short description

Framework contract to cover services supporting the Commission with the recognition of equivalence of supply chain due diligence schemes under Regulation (EU) 2017/821 and, as applicable, with verifying that recognized supply chain due diligence schemes continue to fulfil the criteria that led to a recognition of equivalence.

### II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 200 000,00 EUR

### II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

### II.2. Description

# II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services, 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

# II.2.3. Place of performance

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

Main site or place of performance: Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

## II.2.4. Description of the procurement

Framework Contract for the Recognition of Equivalence of Supply Chain Due Diligence Schemes under the Regulation (EU)2017/821 (Conflict Minerals).

### II.2.5. Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 1 200 000,00 EUR

## II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

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

### II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

## 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: no

# II.2.14. Additional information

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

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

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## III.1. Conditions for participation

# III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

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

## III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### III.2. Conditions related to the contract

### III.2.2. Contract performance conditions

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

## **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 Framework agreement with a single operator

## 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.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 13/06/2023 Local time: 14:00

# IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

## IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Latvian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Swedish

## IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

## IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 15/06/2023 Local time: 14:00

Place:

Tenders will be opened electronically on the date and time indicated in the contract notice. It is possible to attend the opening by videoconference.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

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### VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

## VI.2. Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted Electronic payment will be used

### VI.3. Additional information

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3). In case of unavailability or disruptions in the functioning of the electronic means of communication provided in Section I.3) in the last 5 calendar days before the time limit for receipt indicated in Section IV.2.2), the contracting authority reserves the right to extend this time limit and publish the extension at the internet address provided in Section I.3), without a preceding publication of a corrigendum to this notice. Economic operators interested in this procurement are invited to subscribe to the call for tenders at the address in Section I.3) in order to get notified when new information or documents are published.

## VI.4. Procedures for review

### VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: General Court of the European Union

Postal address: rue du Fort Niedergrünewald

Town: Luxembourg Postal code: L-2925 Country: Luxembourg Telephone: +352 4303-1

Internet address: http://curia.europa.eu

## VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

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

# VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

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