

Belgium-Brussels: Economic challenges of lagging regions

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy,
REGIO DGA1.B.1 Economic analysis

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General address of the contracting authority: http://europa.eu/index_en.htm

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

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: the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3. Main activity

General public services

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description**II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Economic challenges of lagging regions.

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

Services

Service category No 11: Management consulting services [6] and related services

Main site or place of performance: Off Commission premises.

NUTS code

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

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The study will analyse:

- (i) the impact of the fiscal and macroeconomic environment on the low-growth and low-income regions;
- (ii) the main needs in terms of structural reforms that may provide the highest returns in terms of growth and jobs in low-growth and low-income regions;
- (iii) the main investment needs in the low-growth and low-income regions, in particular those which can be supported by the European Structural and Investment Funds, and related development opportunities for these regions.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

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

300 000 EUR maximum (lump sum, including fees, travel expenses and other costs).

Estimated value excluding VAT: 300 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

For main financing conditions and payment arrangements see the tender specifications and the draft contract published on the Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy website: http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

A joint tender is a situation where a tender is submitted by a group of economic operators (consortium). Joint tenders may include subcontractors in addition to the joint tenderers. In the case of a joint tender, all economic operators in a joint tender assume joint and several liability towards the contracting authority for the performance of the contract as a whole. Nevertheless, tenderers must designate a single point of contact for the contracting authority. After the award, the contracting authority will sign the contract either with all members of the group, or with the member duly authorised by the other members via a power of attorney.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: All tenderers shall provide a declaration on their honour, duly signed and dated by an authorised representative, stating that they are not in one of the situations of exclusion listed in the declaration in Annex II of the tender specifications published on http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm

The selection criteria applicable to this procurement are stated in the specifications in point 4.3 published on http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: The selection criteria 'Economic and financial capacity' applicable to this procurement are stated in point 4.3.1 of the tender specifications published on http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

The selection criteria 'Technical capacity' applicable to this procurement are stated in point 4.3.2 of the tender specifications published on http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

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

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

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

2015.CE.16.BAT.053.

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

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

30.9.2015

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

Any EU official language

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

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

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 8.10.2015 - 11:00

Place:

avenue de Beaulieu 1, Office 03/089.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Each tenderer may take part or send a representative.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

VI.3. Additional information

As tendering documents and any additional information are available on the website of the Directorate-General for Regional and Urban Policy at the following address http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/tender/tender_en.cfm potential tenderers are requested to regularly verify the Internet website.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: General Court
Postal address: rue du Fort Niedergrünwald
Town: Luxembourg
Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 4303-2100

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff, or, in absence thereof, of the day on which it came to the knowledge. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have as an effect either to suspend this period or to open a new period for lodging appeals.

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

24.7.2015