

Norway-Oslo: Research and development services and related consultancy services

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Contract notice**Services****Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Kommunal- og moderniseringsdepartementet

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Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: http://eu.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=302751&B=DFO

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I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

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

Research Project on the Influence of Information for the Norwegian General Election in 2021

Reference number: 21/2748

II.1.2. Main CPV code

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The Ministry would like to have:

1) An external mapping and analysis of goal-orientated attempts at influencing via information from international actors before and during the Norwegian election in 2021. The tenderer must map information that is spread over the Internet, with particular emphasis on goal-orientated campaigns, both on websites, social media, established and alternative news sites, as well as internet forums and internet communities. The tenderer must identify which actors spread misinformation that is aimed at Norwegian inhabitants;

2) A scenario development that sketches different scenarios for influencing during a Norwegian election. The scenarios must be based on any finds in the first part of the assignment, as well as international experience and other possible events that could occur. The contracting authority must hint at what the consequences of the different scenarios can be, as well as how the election authorities can contribute to preventing and dealing with such events.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 2 600 000,00 NOK

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

73200000 Research and development consultancy services, 73210000 Research consultancy services, 73220000 Development consultancy services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: NO081 Oslo

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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The first report must be submitted to the ministry by 15 December 2021. The second report must be submitted to the ministry by 1 April 2022.

The estimated value of the contract is from NOK 2 000 000 to NOK 2 600 000 excluding VAT. The estimated value is not binding for the contracting authority.

For a more detailed description of the assignment, see annex 1 of the contract (the Contracting Authority's description of the assignment).

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: 2 600 000,00 NOK

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

Duration in months: 8

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

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:

Requirements: Tenderers must be a legally established company.

Documentation:

Norwegian companies: Company registration certificate or a printout from the Unit Register for sole proprietorships not required to register.

Foreign companies: Verification that the company is registered in a trade or business register as prescribed by the law of the country where the tenderer is established. Confirmation can be submitted in writing or through BRIS.

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Requirement: Paid taxes and duties.

Documentation:

A certificate, not older than 6 months, which verifies that the tenderer has fulfilled the obligations of payment of taxes, social security contributions and VAT. The certificate can be ordered and obtained from Altinn by using a separate link on skatteetaten.no. Foreign tenderers must provide certificates from equivalent authorities to the Norwegian authorities.

Requirement: Tenderers must be able to show adequate economic and financial capacity for the delivery.

Documentation:

A credit rating with key figures from a recognised credit assessment company, or other form of documentation to verify that the requirement has been met.

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Requirement: Tenderers must have sufficient ability and experience to carry out the delivery.

Documentation: A description of the tenderer's up to three most relevant assignments in the last 3 years, together with information on the contracts' value, date of delivery or execution, and the name of the recipient. Relevant assignments means media analysis, content analysis, mapping, and analysis of or research on information activity or information influencing, etc.

Requirement: Tenderers must have sufficient capacity to carry out the delivery within the specified limitations and deadlines.

Documentation: A statement of the tenderer's average annual workforce in the last 3 years.

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

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: 29/06/2021 Local time: 12:00

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

Norwegian

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

Tender must be valid until: 29/08/2021

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 29/06/2021 Local time: 12:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Oslo Tingrett

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VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: Oslo Tingrett
Town: Oslo
Country: Norway

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: Kommunal- og moderniseringsdepartementet
Postal address: Postboks 8112 Dep
Town: Oslo
Postal code: 0032
Country: Norway
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Telephone: +47 22249090

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

27/05/2021