

278909-2026 - Planning

France – Repair and maintenance services – Curative maintenance of submarine cable links – Marine operations

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Prior information notice or a periodic indicative notice used only for information

Services - Works

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: RTE Réseau de Transport d'Electricité

Email: severine.leys@rte-france.com

Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking

Activity of the contracting entity: Electricity-related activities

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Curative maintenance of submarine cable links – Marine operations

Description: RTE, the French electricity transmission system operator, is responsible for developing, building and operating high-voltage submarine cable links for interconnection with neighboring countries, or for connecting offshore wind farms to the terrestrial transmission grid. RTE currently operates a wide range of submarine cable links on the Manche Channel, Atlantic and Mediterranean facades. In the future, the number of submarine cable links shall further increase with the development of HVDC long distance submarine cable links to offshore wind farms. These submarine cable links can be floating or laid on the sea floor. In this context, RTE is preparing for curative maintenance of several submarine cable links of its current and future networks on both Channel/Atlantic and Mediterranean facades. Curative maintenance of RTE networks is to be planned on HVAC (including floating technology) and HVDC bundle submarine cable links. In case of HVDC, maintenance operation shall cover handling of bundled cables (Two power cables and one fiber optic cable). This curative maintenance shall encompass the means and personnel necessary to perform the Marine Operations scope which comprises: 1) Fault location along full cable length, i.e. from landfall to OSS hang-off; 2) Spread deployment to ensure cable repair, i.e. a) Vessel and equipment mobilization; b) Cable system spare load out at storage facility located in French harbors, RTE being responsible for cable system availability up to the quay edge; c) Deburial of faulty section; d) Cable cutting and preparation onboard for repair; e) Pull-in at OSS or landfall if required; f) Joint deployment; g) Cable system repaired section re-protection. The jointing operation is excluded from this scope of work. RTE would like to investigate ways to perform the above-mentioned Marine Operations scope and particularly on ways to limit the return-to-service time after a default and maintain a cost-effective approach. In order to achieve these two main objectives; this periodic indicative notice is designed to permit RTE to exchange both with marine operators and intermediaries (brokers). Hence, this periodic indicative notice aims to encourage the market to have its various actors emerge and help RTE identify them. It shall also allow the market to clarify its capacity of service with respect to RTE periodic indicative notice and propose adapted and robust solutions.

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Additional nature of the contract: Works

Main classification (cpv): 50000000 Repair and maintenance services

Additional classification (cpv): 50240000 Repair, maintenance and associated services related to marine and other equipment, 76520000 Offshore services, 76522000 Offshore supply-vessel services, 76521000 Offshore installation services, 60630000 Cable-laying ship services , 31321500 Submarine cable, 45314310 Installation of cable laying, 98360000 Marine services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Hauts-de-Seine (FR105)

Country: France

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: The present notice is issued on the basis of Article 58 of the Directive No. 2014/25/EU, which allows contracting authorities to conduct market consultations with a view to preparing the procurement within a consultative procedure known as operational sourcing. RTE intends to carry out an operational sourcing procedure prior to launching a competitive tender for the award of a contract. Please note that this sourcing notice is a preliminary request for information and does not constitute a call for tender or an invitation to enter into contract. Its sole purpose is to gather the information required to determine the needs of RTE while taking into account the state of the art and to increase the performance of the procurement procedure planned by RTE. No compensation will be paid to participants for their participation in the sourcing process. A non-response to the sourcing notice does not prevent the supplier from participating in the subsequent call for tender and the response to the sourcing notice shall not affect the supplier's position in the call for tender. Interested parties are invited to send their expression of interest (EOI) via the Bravosolution e-procurement platform (<https://rte-france.bravosolution.com>) on RFI number 25173. Submission of EOI will be no later than May 19, 2026, at 17:00 (French Time). The EOI must include all relevant information and documents to demonstrate the conditions for participation are met. It is also required to specify the contact details of the person(s) authorized to represent the applicant in this procedure. RTE may at its sole discretion enter into further discussions with respondents in order to assess the market for suppliers capable of meeting RTE's needs. These respondents will receive a mutual non-disclosure agreement via the Bravosolution e-procurement platform for signature. Submission of the duly executed mutual non-disclosure agreement by May 26, 2026, is a prerequisite for continuing in the procedure. The respondents will then be invited to complete a technical and commercial questionnaire which will be provided via the Bravosolution e-procurement platform.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/25/EU

3. Part

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3.1.9. Further information, mediation and review

Mediation organisation: Tribunal Judiciaire de Nanterre

Review organisation: Tribunal Judiciaire de Nanterre

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: RTE Réseau de Transport d'Electricité

Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents: RTE Réseau de Transport d'Electricité

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: Tribunal Judiciaire de Nanterre

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Tribunal Judiciaire de Nanterre

Registration number: 17780111500151

Department: Instance chargée des procédures de recours

Postal address: 179-191 avenue Joliot-Curie

Town: NANTERRE

Postcode: 92020

Country subdivision (NUTS): Hauts-de-Seine (FR105)

Country: France

Contact point: Instance chargée des procédures de recours

Email: accueil.tj-nanterre@justice.fr

Internet address: www.cours-appel.justice.fr/versailles/tribunal-judiciaire-de-nanterre

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

Mediation organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: RTE Réseau de Transport d'Electricité

Registration number: 44461925802482

Department: Direction Achats et Supply Chain

Postal address: Immeuble Window 7C Place du Dôme

Town: PARIS LA DEFENSE CEDEX

Postcode: 92073
Country subdivision (NUTS): Hauts-de-Seine (FR105)
Country: France
Contact point: Séverine Leys
Email: severine.leys@rte-france.com
Telephone: 12345678
Internet address: <http://rte-france.bravosolution.com>
Buyer profile: <https://rte-france.bravosolution.com>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer
Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure
Organisation providing offline access to the procurement documents

8.1. ORG-0000

Official name: Publications Office of the European Union
Registration number: PUBL
Town: Luxembourg
Postcode: 2417
Country subdivision (NUTS): Luxembourg (LU000)
Country: Luxembourg
Email: ted@publications.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 29291
Internet address: <https://op.europa.eu>

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

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