

United Kingdom-Cambridge: Telecommunications services
OJ S 163/2013 23/08/2013
Contract award notice
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Delivery of Advanced Network Technology to Europe Limited

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Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: www.dante.net

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Other: UK Limited Company

I.3. Main activity

Other: Research & Education Networks

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

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes

Official name: UbuntuNet Alliance

Postal address: P.O. Box 2550

Town: Lilongwe

Country: Malawi

Official name: Eb@ale

Postal address: Avenue de la Democratie No 44

Town: Kinshasa/Gombe

Country: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Official name: EthERNet

Postal address: c/o ICT Center of Excellence, Ground Floor of International Leadership
Institute Building, Madagascar Street

Town: Addis Ababa

Country: Ethiopia

Official name: KENET

Postal address: P.O. Box 30244 00100

Town: Nairobi

Country: Kenya

Official name: MAREN

Postal address: University of Malawi Central Office, Box 278, Zomba

Town: Blantyre

Country: Malawi

Official name: MoRENet

Postal address: Ministry of Science and Technology of Mozambique, 770 Patrice Lumumba Avenue

Town: Maputo

Country: Mozambique

Official name: X-net

Postal address: Ministry of Education Government Office Park, Luther Street

Town: Windhoek

Country: Namibia

Official name: RwEdNet

Postal address: Kigali Institute of Science, Technology and Management

Town: Kigali

Country: Rwanda

Official name: SomaliREN

Postal address: Industrial Road, Simad University Main Campus

Town: Mogadishu

Country: Somalia

Official name: SUIN

Postal address: Information Technology & Networks Administration (ITNA) university of Khartoum

Town: Khartoum

Country: Sudan

Official name: TERNET

Postal address: P.O. Box 95062, Kawawa Road

Town: Dar es Salaam

Country: Tanzania

Official name: RENU

Postal address: DICTS network Operations Centre, Faculty of Computing & Information Tehnology, Block A, Makerere University, P.O. Box 35009

Town: Kampala

Country: Uganda

Official name: ZAMREN

Postal address: University of Zambia, Great East Road Campus, School of Education Building, P.O. Bo 32379

Town: Luska

Country: Zambia

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title

AfricaConnect (sub Saharan Southern and Eastern African Research and Education Network).

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

Services

Service category No 5: Telecommunications services

NUTS code

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

II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

For AfricaConnect DANTE sought Network Services within the sub Saharan, Southern and Eastern Africa region and towards Europe and associated equipment housing services.
For Network Services: international point to point telecommunications bandwidth services to connect the national research networks of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Rwanda, Somalia, South Africa, Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia. Link capacities were expected to be in the range of 45 Mbps to 10 Gbps.
For Network Services: Provision of space for equipment location, including provision of power, air conditioning, limited technical support and secure access.

II.1.5. CPV code(s)

64200000 Telecommunications services

II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.2. Total value of the contract/lot

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Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Negotiated with a call for competition

IV.2. Award criteria

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

1. cost of ownership. Weighting 65
2. fitness for purpose of the proposed solution. Weighting 15
3. reliability and continuity of supply. Weighting 10
4. capability to install and deliver to services. Weighting 10

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction has been used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

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

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Contract notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2011/S 172-283177](#) of 8.9.2011

Section V: Award of contract

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

5.4.2013

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 10

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 10

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: West Indian Ocean Cable Company limited
Postal address: 1001 Alexander House 35
Town: Ebene Cybercity
Country: Mauritius
E-mail: info@wiocc.net
Telephone: +254 203745862
Internet address: www.wiocc.net

V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
yes

Identification of the project: FED/2010/255139

VI.2. Additional information

VI.3. Procedures for review

VI.3.1. Review body

VI.3.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: DANTE incorporated a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract was communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. The standstill period, a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts regulations 2006 (SI 2006 No 5) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

VI.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice

21.8.2013