

290661-2026 - Direct award preannouncement

Norway – Services related to noise pollution – Upgrading of the NorStøy software.

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Voluntary ex-ante transparency notice

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Statens vegvesen

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Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law, controlled by a central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Upgrading of the NorStøy software.

Description: The Norwegian Public Roads Administration and other site owners are facing a new statutory noise mapping that shall be carried out and reported by summer 2027 in accordance with the pollution regulations and the EU Noise Directive. This involves a fixed and unalterable deadline for completion of calculations, quality assurance and reporting. A VU measure was previously proposed for the period 2025-2030 to manage the challenges connected to noise mapping and digitalisation of the processes. This proposal was not prioritised. The need for a new system and modernisation, however, consists, and based on this, the work on a new system and the accompanying process improvements must be carried out as a measure in the line. The relevant delivery concerns specialist competence in noise modelling and the product Norstøy. Due to technical debt in central parts of the system, it is necessary to upgrade to a newer version of the platform/framework, as well as a user interface, with requirements for minimal functional changes. Sintef has developed the system originally and has in-depth competence within noise modelling, system architecture, code base and technical dependencies. Other tenderers do not have an equivalent combination of specialist competence and prior knowledge of the system. Missing system comprehension will result in significant entry work, increased risk of errors and a potential need for comprehensive reimplementation, which is not compatible with the requirement for minimal changes and controlled migration. The source code is owned and maintained by the Norwegian Public Roads Administration. Sintef has prepared the noise-related algorithms used in NorCalc and therefore has a unique understanding of the existing structure and historical design choices. to ensure correct migration, reduced technical risk and limited test scope. Other technical consultants in this field only have competence connected to the use of the algorithms and not the preparation of them. The project will use other internal resources and external consultants for most of the other assignments that do not require specialist competence in noise modelling. The tenderer in question is only used for this specific service, justified by the special professional and technical competence connected to NorCalc. Based on the above, the terms for exemptions from the procurement regulations are assessed as fulfilled, as

competition is not deemed really possible as a result of the absence of alternative tenderers with the necessary specialised competence and system knowledge to carry out the assignment within proper limits for quality, risk and cost efficiency.

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Internal identifier: edd636b7-1795-4cfa-b1d5-8ca949f4de8c

Type of procedure: Other single stage procedure

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 90742000 Services related to noise pollution

Additional classification (cpv): 73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services, 73200000 Research and development consultancy services, 90742100 Noise control services, 90742200 Noise pollution protection services, 90742300 Noise pollution monitoring services, 90742400 Noise pollution advisory services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Norway

Anywhere in the given country

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: The Road Authority owns the system, source code and software, but needs assistance with developing code and a system for further noise mapping and calculation modules. Assistance is necessary for the system to function. The contracting authority needs SINTEF's competence and resources for corrections of calculations etc. Also use these as an independent quality and verification party for the calculations that are done in the tool and the results that are presented. The contracting authority also has its own resources and specialists in the project and uses SINTEF's resources for exactly what they need to. Based on this, it can be justified that "competition is impossible for technical reasons" and it is therefore referred to PPR § 13-4 b) 2.

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0000

Title: Procurement of specialist competence for noise modelling in NorStøy

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 1 Year

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: 1 + 1 year.

5.1.6. General information

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Oslo tingrett

6. Results

6.1. Result lot identifier: LOT-0000

6.1.2. Information about winners

Winner:

Official name: SINTEF Digital

Tender:

Tender identifier: Oppgradering av NorStøy Prosjektnummer 102035451-1

Identifier of lot or group of lots: LOT-0000

Contract information:

Identifier of the contract: 23/79884

Title: Procurement of specialist competence for noise modelling in NorStøy

Date on which the winner was chosen: 24/04/2026

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Statens vegvesen

Registration number: 971032081

Department: Fellesfunksjoner

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Country: Norway

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Buyer profile: <https://eu.eu-supply.com/ctm/company/companyinformation/index/249176>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Oslo tingrett

Registration number: 926 725 939

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Town: Oslo

Postcode: 0125

Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

Country: Norway

Email: oslo.tingrett@domstol.no

Telephone: +47 22035200

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: SINTEF Digital
Registration number: 919303808
Town: Trondheim
Postcode: 7465
Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)
Country: Norway
Roles of this organisation:
Tenderer
Winner of these lots: LOT-0000

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