

Finland-Helsinki: Research and development services and related consultancy services**OJ S 162/2014 26/08/2014****Contract notice****Services****Directive 2004/18/EC****Section I: Contracting authority**

I.1. Name and addresses

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Country: Finland

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For the attention of: Sanna Pulkkinen

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the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

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Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: Official name: Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Registration Office / KEO

Postal address: Government, P.O. Box 403

Town: Helsinki

Postal code: FI-00023

Country: Finland

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I.2. Type of the contracting authority

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

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**

Evaluation of Inclusive Education in Finland's Development Cooperation in 2004-2013.

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

Services

Service category No 8: Research and development services

Main site or place of performance: Finland, Kosovo, Ethiopia and Andean region.

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 purpose of the evaluation is to serve planning and decision making needs in the MFA. The evaluation is expected to bring forward issues and lessons learned and make innovative but practical and concrete recommendations which will help the MFA to develop further the development cooperation in inclusive education and to enhance the cooperation with disability approach. Moreover, the recommendations will help the MFA to enhance the application of HRBA in development cooperation.

Evaluation itself is also a major tool for accountability. Thus, the evaluation will inform the general public, parliamentarians, academia, and development professionals outside the immediate sphere of the decision-makers in development policy of what has been achieved by the use of public funds.

The objectives of the evaluation are:

- To assess the strengths and weaknesses in the realization of HRBA in Finland's development cooperation by assessing the application of HRBA in Finland's development cooperation in inclusive education and in cooperation with disability focus,
- To assess inclusive education in Finland's development cooperation and provide a comprehensive overall view on the achievements, strengths and weaknesses,
- To assess the achievements, strengths and weaknesses of the cooperation with disability approach and to provide disability mainstreaming successes and failures.

Furthermore, the objective of components 2 and 3 is to provide an assessment on the overall results and lessons learned of the Finnish development interventions in the Andean region and Kosovo.

The evaluation covers bilateral and regional instruments, bilateral and regional contributions through multilateral channels (so-called multi-bi cooperation), multilateral and NGO cooperation as well as policy dialogue in selected countries and regions where possible.

The temporal scope of the evaluation is 2004-2013 covering the three Development Policy Programmes of 2004, 2007 and 2012. As an exception, the final evaluations of the development cooperation in inclusive education in Kosovo and the Andean region (Components 2 and 3) cover the entire time frame of Finland's development cooperation in those countries/regions (please see below).

The evaluation consists of five components. It is organized in such a way that the four components can learn from each other. While their findings are presented in separate reports, they are also merged into a synthesis report which forms the component 5.

See further information in the ToR.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

The evaluation will tentatively start in November 2014 and will tentatively be ready in May 2015.

The evaluation will consist of four phases (inception phase, desk study, field visits and reporting). Interviews will be conducted in Finland and field work in Kosovo, Ethiopia and Andean region.

See further information in the ITT and ToR.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 340 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: The MFA reserves a right for a contract of additional services from the same service provider amounting up to a maximum of 50 000 EUR. The option is reserved to carry out additional assignments relating to the evaluation. Any extension of the contract will be subject to satisfactory performance by the contractor.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Start 1.11.2014. Completion 31.5.2015

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

See ITT.

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

See ITT.

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

See ITT.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

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: See ITT.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: See ITT.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: See ITT.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

See ITT.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:
See ITT.

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: yes

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

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated no

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

Evaluation number: 89892405

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

8.10.2014 - 09:00

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
English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender
Duration in days: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 8.10.2014

Place: Official name: Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland

Country: Finland

For the attention of: Sanna Pulkkinen

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

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

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

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VI.4.2. Review procedure

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

22.8.2014