

NL-Utrecht: wide area network  
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Contract notice  
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: SURFnet  
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Town: Utrecht  
Postal code: 3501 DA  
Country: Netherlands  
For the attention of: Mr. Alexander van den Hil  
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**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.surfnet.nl>  
Electronic access to information: <http://www.surfnet.nl/tender>

**Additional information can be obtained from:**

the abovementioned address

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

the abovementioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted:** the abovementioned address

**I.2. Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.3. Main activity**

Other: National Research and Education Network (NREN)

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

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

Official name: NORUnet A/S  
Postal address: Kastruplundgade 22  
Town: Kastrup  
Country: Denmark  
Official name: Zajmove sdruzeni pravnickyh osob [CESNET]  
Postal address: Zikova 4  
Town: Praha  
Country: Czechia  
Official name: Canarie  
Postal address: 45 O'Connor St., Suite 500  
Town: Ottawa  
Country: Canada  
Official name: Kisti  
Postal address: 245 Daehak-ro, Yuseong-gu

Town: Daejeon

Country: South Korea

Official name: ASGC

Postal address: 128 Academia Road, Section 2, Nankang

Town: Taipei

Country: Taiwan

Official name: Internet2

Postal address: 1000 Oakbrook Drive, Suite 300

Town: Ann Arbor

Country: United States

Official name: Gloriad

Postal address: University of Tennessee, 311 Conference Center Building

Town: Knoxville

Country: United States

Official name: ESnet

Postal address: US Department of Energy's Energy Sciences Network, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Energy Sciences Network, 1 Cyclotron Road, Mail stop 50A-3111

Town: Berkeley

Country: United States

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

SURFnet transatlantic lambdas.

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

Services

NUTS code

#### II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Maximum number Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement  
: 999

#### Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 4

#### Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT: 2 500 000,00 EUR

#### II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

SURFnet regularly acquires transatlantic lambdas (wavelengths) to connect the NetherLight Open Lightpath Exchange to various locations in North-America, both for its own use and on behalf of its partners in the research and education networking arena. Therefore, SURFnet invites potential suppliers of transatlantic lambdas to participate in this tender procedure.

At this time, SURFnet has six operational 10 Gigabit lambdas between NetherLight (Amsterdam) and North-America (MAN LAN and StarLight). In the future, SURFnet expects to acquire further 10 Gigabit lambdas but also higher speed lambdas (at 40 Gigabit/sec, and possibly 100 Gigabit/sec).

This tender procedure aims at the conclusion of framework agreements for the provision of transatlantic lambdas with at least three (3) Contractors (no maximum number). Through this tender procedure, SURFnet wishes to conclude framework agreements with all suitable providers. For that reason, the tender procedure is based on exclusion criteria and minimum requirements, and there is no limit to the number of Contractors who may be awarded a framework agreement. The actual provision of transatlantic lambdas will be awarded in mini competitions.

The framework agreements have an initial term of four (4) years, with the option for SURFnet to extend these framework agreements with two (2) times one (1) year.

**II.1.6. CPV code(s)**

32430000 Wide area network, 64210000 Telephone and data transmission services, 72720000 Wide area network 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**

Refer to the call for proposals document.

**II.2.2. Information about options**

Options: no

**II.2.3. Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Number of possible renewals: 2

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:

in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

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

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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**III.1. Conditions related to the contract**

**III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required**

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

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

**III.1.4. Contract performance conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

### **III.2. Conditions for participation**

#### **III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

#### **III.2.2. Economic and financial ability**

List and brief description of conditions: Economic and financial capacity of tenderers will be evaluated and verified in accordance with the requested information in the call for proposals document.

#### **III.2.3. Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of conditions:

Technical and professional capacity of tenderers will be evaluated and verified in accordance with the requested information in the call for proposals document.

#### **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: no

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **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**

### **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**

#### **IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

no

#### **IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 29.10.2012 - 12:00

Payable documents: no

**IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

29.10.2012 - 13:00

**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. Dutch.

**IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

**IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 29.10.2012 - 13:15

Place:

SURFnet office in Utrecht.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: From each tenderer, one delegate may be present at the opening of the Proposals. Tenderers are required to announce their presence at least one day in advance to SURFnet by e-mail to:

[Transatlantic2012@surfnet.nl](mailto:Transatlantic2012@surfnet.nl).

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**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**

**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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Town: Utrecht

Postal code: 3511 EX

Country: Netherlands

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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**

17.9.2012