

303339-2026 - Competition

Belgium – Research and development services and related consultancy services – Technical support for engaging with EU SMEs in textile and/or furniture sectors in the Ecodesign Forum
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Contract or concession notice – standard regime - Change notice
Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: European Commission, DG GROW - Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

Email: grow-procurement@ec.europa.eu

Legal type of the buyer: EU institution, body or agency

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Technical support for engaging with EU SMEs in textile and/or furniture sectors in the Ecodesign Forum

Description: The Contractor will be required to provide the Commission with technical assistance. The primary aim of this assistance is to foster balanced participation from relevant stakeholders in the textiles and/or furniture sectors, thereby ensuring meaningful consultation on Ecodesign preparatory studies, potential Ecodesign requirements and other matters related to implementation of the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR). The Contractor should proactively identify interested SMEs, and engage with them, giving special attention to micro-enterprises operating in the relevant product sectors. The Contractor will explain the provisions of the ESPR and their implications for the textile and/or furniture sectors for the SMEs in particular, outline participation opportunities, and guide SMEs on the expectations and the type of feedback is needed to the Ecodesign forum and/or various stakeholder meetings. Serving as both a focal point and a helpdesk, the Contractor will facilitate and coordinate SMEs involvement in these forums. Ensuring broad geographical and sectoral representation, the Contractor will review ESPR-related documents, gather SME inputs, synthesize them into position papers, and clearly present them at the Ecodesign Forum or other stakeholder meetings, or facilitate SMEs participation at the Forum and these meetings. Physical attendance at meetings will not be required. These activities may be repeated throughout the three-year duration of the contract, enabling the inclusion of new SMEs over time.

Procedure identifier: f796ca5a-92c8-4afb-82e1-4db545df6b82

Internal identifier: EC-GROW/2026/OP/0011

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 150 000,00 EUR

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: In case of unavailability or disruptions in the functioning of the electronic means of communication provided in Section 5.1.11 in the last 5 calendar days before the time limit for receipt indicated in Section 5.1.12, the contracting authority reserves the right to extend this time limit and publish the extension at the Internet address provided in Section 5.1.11, without a preceding publication of a corrigendum to this notice. Economic operators interested in this procurement are invited to subscribe to the call for tenders at the address in Section 5.1.11 in order to get notified when new information or documents are published.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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Internal identifier: EC-GROW/2026/OP/0011

5.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

Additional classification (cpv): 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

5.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere

Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 36 Months

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 150 000,00 EUR

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

Information about European Union funds:

EU funds programme: Single Market Programme, including COSME, ISA2, ESP, consumer involvement in fin. Services, financial reporting, Health, Food and Feed, consumer programme (2021/2027)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

Information about previous notices:

Identifier of the previous notice: 129763-2026

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 70

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 30

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Deadline for requesting additional information: 23/04/2026 23:59:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/f796ca5a-92c8-4afb-82e1-4db545df6b82-CN?#anchorDocuments>

Ad hoc communication channel:

Name: Funding and Tenders Portal

URL: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/f796ca5a-92c8-4afb-82e1-4db545df6b82-CN?#anchorDocuments>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/digit/opsys/esubmission?cftUuid=f796ca5a-92c8-4afb-82e1-4db545df6b82>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Latvian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Swedish

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 11/05/2026 16:00:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 6 Months

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 12/05/2026 10:00:00 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Electronic invoicing: Allowed

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Court of Justice of the European Union

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: European Commission, DG GROW - Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: European Commission, DG GROW - Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs

Registration number: COM

Department: GROW.I - Decarbonisation, Mobility, Raw Materials

Postal address: Avenue d'Auderghem 45

Town: Brussels

Postcode: B-1049

Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)

Country: Belgium

Email: grow-procurement@ec.europa.eu

Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11

Internet address: <https://ec.europa.eu/growth/>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Court of Justice of the European Union

Registration number: CURIA

Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünewald

Town: Luxembourg

Postcode: L-2925

Country subdivision (NUTS): Luxembourg (LU000)

Country: Luxembourg

Email: GC.Registry@curia.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 4303-1

Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: European Commission

Registration number: EUCOM

Postal address: Mondrian (CDMA), Rue du Champ de Mars 21

Town: Brussels

Postcode: B-1050

Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)

Country: Belgium

Email: grow-procurement@ec.europa.eu

Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11

Internet address: <https://commission.europa.eu/>

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

10. Change

Version of the previous notice to be changed

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Main reason for change

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Information updated

Description

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Due to a technical issue the submission date is extended by one week.

Notice information

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