

**Norway – Travel agency and similar services – Framework agreement - Travel agency services**  
**OJ S 91/2025 13/05/2025**  
**Contract or concession notice – standard regime - Change notice**  
**Services**

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## 1. Buyer

### 1.1. Buyer

Official name: Haugesund Kommune

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

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## 2. Procedure

### 2.1. Procedure

Title: Framework agreement - Travel agency services

Description: The procurement cooperation at Haugalandet, hereafter called the contracting authority, intends to enter into a framework agreement for travel agency services. Etne, Haugesund, Karmøy, Sauda, Suldal, Sveio, Utsira, Tysvær and Vindafjord are participating in this enquiry. The contracting authority is concerned with the environment and would like to prioritise climate and environmentally friendly transport alternatives for travel. Where relevant and cost efficient, the travel agency shall contribute to promoting environmentally friendly journeys.

Procedure identifier: dd471736-6c62-444e-9cc3-2d7a2d4d1b04

Internal identifier: 25/7416

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

Main features of the procedure: The agreement shall cover all types of travel agency services such as booking flights, hotels, hire cars and all types of transport. The contract will be valid for 2 years with a unilateral option for the contracting authority to extend for 1+1 year. The contract will be extended automatically for one year at a time, unless 3 months notice is given by the contracting authority before the extension date. The contract will start 01.09.25

#### 2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 63510000 Travel agency and similar services

Additional classification (cpv): 63500000 Travel agency, tour operator and tourist assistance services

#### 2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Rogaland (NO0A1)

Country: Norway

#### 2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 44 500 000,00 NOK

#### 2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

### 2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Corruption: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a enforceable verdict has been convicted of corruption by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Corruption as defined in Article 3 of the Convention on Combating Corruption, Involving European Communities or European Union Member States (EUT C 195 of 25.6.1997, s. 1), and in Article 2, point 1, in the Council's framework decision 2003/568/RIA of 22 July 2003 on combating corruption in the private sector (EUT L 192 of 31.7.2003, p. 54). This rejection reason also includes corruption as defined in national law for the contracting authority or supplier.

Fraud: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted of fraud has been convicted of fraud by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Fraud included in Article 1 of the Convention on protection of the Financial Interests of the European Communities (EFT C 316 of 27.11.1995, p. 48).

Money laundering or terrorist financing: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of money laundering or financing terrorism by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Money laundering or financing terrorism As defined in Article 1 of the European Parliament and Council Directive 2005/60/EF of 26 October 2005 on preventive measures against the use of the financial system for money laundering and financing terrorism (EUT L 309 of 25.11.2005, p. 15).

Participation in a criminal organisation: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted verdict of participation in a criminal organisation by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of the Council's framework decision 2008/841/RIA of 24 October 2008 on control of organised crime (EUT L 300 of 11.11.2008, p. 42)

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body, or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of acts of terrorism or criminal acts connected to terrorist activities by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Acts of terrorism or criminal acts relating to terrorist activity as defined in Article 1 and 3 of the Council's framework decision 2002/475/RIA of 13 June 2002 on combating terrorism (EFT L 164, af 22.6.2002, p. 3). This rejection reason also includes incitement to, participation or attempts to commit such actions as included in Article 4 in the mentioned framework decision.

Child labour and other forms of trafficking in human beings: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a

legal verdict has been convicted of child labour and other forms of human trafficking by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Child labour and other forms of human trafficking as defined in Article 2 of the European Parliament and council directive 2011/36/EU of 5. 1 April 2011 on the prevention and control of human trafficking and the protection of its victims and for compensation of the Council's framework decision 2002/629/RIA (EUT L 101 of 15.4.2011, p. 1).

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of environmental provisions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of provisions on working conditions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of provisions on social conditions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition: Has the tenderer entered into agreement(s) with other tenderers with the intention of turning the competition?

Grave professional misconduct: Has the tenderer committed serious errors in professional practice? If relevant, see the definitions in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents.

Guilty of misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents and obtained confidential information of this procedure: Have the tenderer:a) given grossly incorrect information when notifying the information required to verify that there is no basis for rejection, or of the qualification requirements being met,b) failed to provide such information,c) subject to immediately submitting the supporting documents requested by the Contracting Authority, ord) improperly affecting the Contracting Authority's decision process to acquire confidential information that could give this an unlawful advantage in connection with competition, or negligently has given misleading information that can have a significant influence on decisions on rejection, selection or award?

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: Are tenderers aware of a conflict of interest as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents?

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure: Has the tenderer or an entity associated with the supplier advised the contracting authority or in another way been involved in the planning of the competition?

Early termination, damages or other comparable sanctions: Has the tenderer committed significant breaches of contract in connection with the fulfilment of a previous public contract, a previous contract with a public contracting authority or a previous concession contract, where the breach has led to the cancellation of the contract, compensation or other similar sanctions?

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: The contracting authority shall state that in Norway there are national rejection reasons. These shall be described in the procurement documents. Tenderers must respond to whether they are in one or more of the situations described in the national rejection reasons. Will the purely national rejection reasons, as stated in the relevant notice or in the procurement documents, apply?

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions: Have tenderers failed to fulfil all their social security obligations in the country where they are established and in their member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes: Has the tenderer not fulfilled his tax and duty obligations in the country in which he is established, and in the contracting authority's member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

Business activities are suspended: Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Bankruptcy: Is the tenderer in a bankruptcy situation? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Arrangement with creditors: Is the supplier in a situation where he has been forced debt arrangement? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Insolvency: Is the tenderer in an insolvency situation? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Assets being administered by liquidator: Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Analogous situation like bankruptcy under national law: Is the supplier in a situation where he has been forced debt arrangement? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

## 5. Lot

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### 5.1. Lot: LOT-0000

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Travel agency, tour operator and tourist assistance services

#### **5.1.2. Place of performance**

Country subdivision (NUTS): Rogaland (NO0A1)

Country: Norway

#### **5.1.3. Estimated duration**

Start date: 31/08/2025

Duration end date: 31/08/2027

#### **5.1.5. Value**

Estimated value excluding VAT: 44 500 000,00 NOK

#### **5.1.6. General information**

Reserved participation: Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

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

#### **5.1.9. Selection criteria**

Sources of selection criteria: Notice

Criterion: Enrolment in a trade register

Description: Tenderers are registered in a company register or a trade register in the member state in which the tenderer is established. As described in annex XI of directive 2014/24/EU; suppliers from certain member states may have to fulfil other requirements in the mentioned annex.

Criterion: Financial ratio

Description: For financial key figures stated in the notice or in the procurement documents, the tenderer declares that the actual value(s) of the requested key figures are as follows: Minimum qualification requirements

#### **5.1.11. Procurement documents**

Deadline for requesting additional information: 04/06/2025 10:00:00 (UTC) Western European Time, GMT

Address of the procurement documents: <https://permalink.mercell.com/255512730.aspx>

#### **5.1.12. Terms of procurement**

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://permalink.mercell.com/255512730.aspx>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Norwegian

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Advanced or qualified electronic signature or seal (as defined in Regulation (EU) No 910/2014) is required

Variants: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 13/06/2025 10:00:00 (UTC) Western European Time, GMT

Deadline until which the tender must remain valid: 95 Days

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 13/06/2025 10:00:00 (UTC) Western European Time, GMT

Terms of contract:

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

Electronic invoicing: Required

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

Electronic auction: no

#### 5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Haugaland og Sunnhordaland tingrett

Information about review deadlines: Stated in the award letter.

## 8. Organisations

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### 8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Haugesund Kommune

Registration number: 944073787

Postal address: Postboks 2160

Town: HAUGESUND

Postcode: 5528

Country subdivision (NUTS): Rogaland (NO0A1)

Country: Norway

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Internet address: <http://www.haugesund.kommune.no>

**Roles of this organisation:**

Buyer

### 8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Haugaland og Sunnhordaland tingrett

Registration number: 974 736 705

Town: Haugesund

Postcode: 5501

Country subdivision (NUTS): Rogaland (NO0A1)

Country: Norway

Email: [haugalan.ogsunnhordland.tingrett@domstol.no](mailto:haugalan.ogsunnhordland.tingrett@domstol.no)

Telephone: 52 70 14 00

**Roles of this organisation:**

Review organisation

## 10. Change

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Version of the previous notice to be changed: 53a6c291-8a72-4ea8-ae8e-487da3615d62-01

Main reason for change: Information updated

Description: Corrected qualification requirements that were written in the wrong place in the ESPD form.

**10.1. Change**

Section identifier: ORG-0002

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Section identifier: PROCEDURE

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Notice information

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