

France-Paris-la-Défense: Ground investigation work
OJ S 126/2019 03/07/2019
Contract notice – utilities
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/25/EU

Section I: Contracting entity

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: INELFE — INterconexión ELéctrica Francia-España
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Main address: www.inelfe.eu
Address of the buyer profile: <https://rte-france.bravosolution.com/fr/login.html>

I.2. Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3. Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at:
www.inelfe.eu

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://rte-france.bravosolution.com/fr/login.html>

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

I.6. Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

INELFE — Biscay Gulf — Electrical Interconnection FR-SP — Nearshore and Onshore Site Surveys — Soil Investigations

II.1.2. Main CPV code

45111250 Ground investigation work

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Nearshore and onshore geophysical, UXO and geotechnical campaigns at the Biscay Gulf.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

45111250 Ground investigation work

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: FR France

NUTS code: ES España

Main site or place of performance: Biscay Gulf.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The services consists of integrated nearshore and (as applicable) onshore surveys: UXO, geophysical and geotechnical to be performed at various locations of Biscay Gulf mainly in water depths ranging between 0 and approximately 20 m LAT and mainly in French waters, with a possible option area at around 100 m LAT.

The purposes of the geophysical and geotechnical investigations are the determination of the detailed seabed conditions and stratigraphy with detailed characterization of the materials in the surface and sub-surface soil layers in which the submarine cable installation will be executed.

The geophysical investigation shall include both surface and sub-surface survey (sub-bottom profiling).

The purpose of the UXO survey is to ensure an As Low As Reasonably Practicable (ALARP) UXO risk at each anticipated geotechnical location to be investigated during the subsequent Geotechnical Survey. Nominal clearance boxes of 50 x 50 m are anticipated at each geotechnical location.

The geotechnical investigation shall consist in CPTs, vibro cores, bored holes and similar. At landfall sites, deep geotechnical ground truthing shall be performed onshore and nearshore to characterize the materials which would be drilled cable installation works by the means of Horizontal Directional Drilling (or equivalent trenchless technique). Both surface drilling (with or without piggyback seabed frame) from a stable and waves uncoupled platform such as dynamic positioned vessel, jack-up or heave suitable wave — compensated rig, and remotely operated drilling can be considered.

It includes the collections of quality samples of soil and rock from onshore and nearshore locations, to be tested for the determination of physical and mechanical properties and to support the interpretation of the geophysical data.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6. Estimated value

II.2.7. Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 9

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 3

II.2.10. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

The options will consist of the surveys to be performed at other locations in the area of the project.

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project: Biscay Gulf Electrical Interconnection FR-ES - Connecting Europe Facility programme - Trans-European Energy (ref 2.7-0013-FRES-W-M-17)

II.2.14. Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

Personal situation of economic operators including requirements to enrolment on professional or trade register.

For French public market, we can consider the exclusion defined in Article 45 and 48 of the Notice 2015-899 dated 23.7.2015.

All costs of completing and submitting any submission and any presentations of the submission are the responsibility of the applicant(s). Throughout the course of this procurement process, tenderers may be asked to translate and resubmit documents in French and/or in Spanish at their own expense.

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

The following documents are to be provided by the applicant as part of its reply to the notice to tender. The lack of provision of the requested documents will lead to the applicant not being selected for the invitation to tender.

All economical and financial document shall be certified by legal competent entities of the country of the applicant or by third party auditor.

- the interested economic operator must not be bankrupt or in the process such, not having its affairs administered by the court, or not have entered into an arrangement with creditors,
- average annual turnover for the last 3 (three) financial years,
- average annual operating results for the last three (3) years,
- insurance certificate,
- tax certificate.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

- last three (3) years annual operating average must be positive,

- average annual turnover for the last 3 (three) financial years must be at least equal to 10,000,000.00 EUR (or equivalent),
- professional insurance liability of minimum 10 000 000 EUR (or equivalent).

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

The below criteria will be appreciated and evaluated, in addition of economic and financial criteria, to select applicants for the invitation to tender:

- the interested economic operator must possess and be able to document know-how and experience in the implementation of the contracts similar to the services required upon this notice,
- the applicant must have completed at least 3 contracts with the object described in Article II. 2.4) (short description of the work performed shall be provided including Client, date, location and contract value),
- the applicant shall demonstrate that it possesses the expertise, equipment and personnel required for the execution of services,
- the applicant shall provide the description of the equipment and means at the disposal of the candidate to perform offshore drilling,
- the applicant shall certify its ability to generate and handle the contractual documents in English language,
- the applicant shall provide the recommendations from previous clients.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

- experience: minimum of 3 contract services equivalent to the object of the present notice completed in the last 5 years,
- technical capability: equipment and means required to perform the services,
- personnel: survey team necessary to perform the survey including at least, one project manager, one geotechnical engineer, one geophysicist, one UXO expert.

III.1.4. Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria:

All interested economic operators are eligible to participate in the tender procedure and submit the expression of interest.

The consortia of companies may jointly participate in the tender procedure, under the condition that the participation proportion of each company of the consortium is clearly stated in the expression of interest.

The consortia are not obliged to take a specific legal form in order to participate in the tender procedure.

The applicant must not have been convicted by a judgment which has the force of res judica of any offence concerning their professional conduct.

The applicant must not have been found guilty of grave misconduct proven by any means which the Contracting Authority can demonstrate.

The applicant must have fulfilled their obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions and their obligations relating to payment of taxes and duties, in accordance with the legal provisions of the country where its is established.

III.1.6. Deposits and guarantees required

Guarantees and bonds will be required, the types and amounts will be defined/prescribed in the Invitation to Tender (ITT), according to the applicable law.

III.1.7. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

Main financial conditions and payment arrangements will be described in the ITT.

III.1.8. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

The applicant may submit bids as:

- single company with proposed sub-contractors if necessary,
- consortium with proposed sub-contractors if necessary.

In case of the applicant submits bids as a consortium, applications shall be submitted either by all the members of the consortium or by an agent who provides proof of the necessary authorizations to represent the other members of the consortium. Same economic operator may not be an agent of more than one consortium for the same contract.

INELFE reserves its right to require economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded to take a particular legal form to be detailed in ITT (joint only or joint and several liability), for performance of the contract in so far as this is necessary for such proper performance.

Any change in the form and/or composition of the single company or consortium at any point of the procedure shall be prior-approval of INELFE.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.2. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 22/07/2019 Local time: 18:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

Date: 31/07/2019

IV.2.4. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 12 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

The Contract Notice is under French law. The time for this contract notice is the French time. The applicable law of the future contracts will be French law. Official communications shall be conducted via the message board of e-procurement, namely <https://rte-france.bravosolution.com>

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Tribunal de grande instance de Nanterre — Instance chargée des procédures de recours

Postal address: 179-191, avenue Joliot-Curie

Town: Nanterre

Postal code: 92020

Country: France

Telephone: +33 140971010

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VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

A claim in a pre-contractual summary proceeding is possible as stated in Articles 5 et seq. of Order No 2009-515 of 7.5.2009 related to complaint proceedings applicable to public procurement contracts. The claim must be lodged before the conclusion of the contract.

A claim in a contractual summary proceeding is possible as stated in Articles 11 et seq. of Order No 2009-515 of 7.5.2009 related to complaint proceedings applicable to public procurement contracts.

The claim must be lodged at the latest on the thirty first (31st) day following the publication of the contract award notice in the Official Journal of the European Union or, for the contracts based on a Framework Agreement or on a dynamic purchasing system, following the notification of the contract signature. In the absence of publication of the award notice or in the absence of notification of the contract signature, an application to the competent court may be made until the expiry of a six (6) months period starting at the day after the date of conclusion of the contract in accordance with Article 1441-3 of the French Code of Civil Procedure.

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

28/06/2019