

324680-2026 - Competition

Norway – Transport systems consultancy services – Procurement of a framework agreement for consultancy services within planning competence.

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: AtB AS

Email: anbud@atb.no

Activity of the contracting entity: Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Procurement of a framework agreement for consultancy services within planning competence.

Description: AtB AS ("AtB" or "Contracting Authority") is a mobility company that is responsible for planning, coordination, marketing and the procurement of scheduled public transport throughout Trøndelag County. AtB's most important task is to facilitate flexible, seamless journeys adapted to different needs and travel patterns. AtB is responsible for planning, acquiring, operating, developing and marketing the public mobility offer, which consists of scheduled buses, school transport, various forms of booked transport, express boat and ferry services. In addition, AtB combines and makes available all forms of mobility in its app for travel planning, which also includes micromobility and co-driving, which turns into a general offer for customers. In 2025, there were 58 million ongoing passengers in AtB's total offer. For further information, see the www.atb.no.

Procedure identifier: fbfc35f5-71f0-4553-99f6-27a9c18ca240

Internal identifier: 26/00068

Type of procedure: Restricted

The procedure is accelerated: no

Main features of the procedure: The general objective of this competition is to enter into a framework agreement for consultancy services that can assist the Contracting Authority within transport, collective, mobility, area planning and related infrastructure. Assistance within what we can define as new mobility areas will be particularly relevant. There can also be a need for assistance within, for example, electrification and accompanying engineering and consultancy services. Project management within the mentioned disciplines can also be relevant.

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 71311200 Transport systems consultancy services

Additional classification (cpv): 71400000 Urban planning and landscape architectural services, 71410000 Urban planning services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 12 000 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/25/EU

Forsyningsforskriften - The overall objective of this competition is to enter into a framework agreement for consultancy services that can assist the Contracting Authority within transport, collective, mobility, area planning and related infrastructure. See the documentation for further information.

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: European Single Procurement Document (ESPD), Notice, Procurement Document

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 including 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.

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or 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, insolvency or arrangement with creditors 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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Country: Norway

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 05/10/2026

Duration end date: 03/10/2030

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 2

Other information about renewals: Two options for two years each. See the documentation for further information.

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 12 000 000,00 NOK

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

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

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice, Procurement Document

Criterion: Enrolment in a trade register

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: Tenderers shall have their tax, payroll tax and VAT payments in order. Tax certificate not older than six months calculated from the tender deadline. Tax certificate means: For Norwegian tenderers: • Tax and VAT certificate issued by the tax office via Altinn. Foreign tenderers: • Foreign tenderers must submit equivalent certificates from their own country that show that they have an arrangement for the payment of taxes and duties. If the authorities in the relevant country do not issue such certificates, the tenderer shall submit a statement which states that all taxes and duties have been paid. The declaration shall be approved and signed by the tenderer's Financial Director/ person responsible for Finance.

Criterion: Enrolment in a relevant professional register

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: The tenderer shall be a legally established company. Documentation requirement: Norwegian tenderers: • Company Registration Certificate. The contracting authority will obtain a company registration certificate from the Brønnøysund Register Centre for Norwegian tenderers. The Norwegian tenderers shall therefore not enclose a company registration certificate. Foreign tenderers: • Confirmation that the tenderer is registered in a trade register or company register in accordance with the law in the country where the tenderer is established.

Criterion: Financial ratio

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: The tenderer shall have the financial strength to be able to fulfil the contract. Documentation requirement: The tenderer's Annual Financial Statements including notes with the Board's and auditor's reports from the last two financial years (2025 and 2024). If the Annual Financial Statements for the last year are not finished before the tender deadline for this competition expires, the last year's preliminary annual accounts, as well as annual accounts from 2023, should be enclosed. The contracting authority reserves the right to carry out a credit assessment from a certified credit information agency (Experian, Dun & Bradstreet, etc.). The financial strength will be assessed on the basis of relevant key figures. The contracting authority will obtain revised annual accounts from the Brønnøysund Register Centre for Norwegian tenderers. The Norwegian tenderers shall therefore not deliver revised annual accounts.

Criterion: Measures for ensuring quality

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: Tenderers shall have the ability to fulfil the contract. Documentation requirement: A short, overall description of the company shall be submitted, of maximum two A4 pages, which documents the tenderer's implementation ability for the framework agreement. The description shall as a minimum include the following: 1) Core competence • A general account of the tenderer's core competence and professional main areas, related to the delivery description in SSA-R annex 1. • The description shall particularly highlight relevant competence within transport, public transport, mobility, area planning, infrastructure and other relevant mobility areas. 2) Business Description • Brief overview of the company's history, organisation and ownership. • Description of the current business, including size, geographical presence and main types of assignments. 3) Organisation and capacity for the execution of the contract • General description of how the tenderer is organised in order to provide consultancy services under this framework agreement. • Description of the company's total capacity and available professional environments that are relevant for the delivery areas. • A general overview of the types of competence and roles that the tenderer has at their disposal (e.g. planners, analysts, project managers), without individual naming. 4) Use of sub-suppliers • General description of any use of sub-suppliers. • If a tenderer uses sub-suppliers, an overview shall be provided of how capacity and competence is divided between the main supplier and sub-supplier(s), at a general level. Clarification: CVs, named resources or concrete manpower proposals shall not be submitted in this phase. The documentation shall be at a general business and professional environment level. CVs and concrete manpower will first be requested in the tender phase. The criteria will be used to select the candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure

Criterion: References on specified deliveries

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: Tenderers shall have experience from relevant and comparable deliveries. Relevant and comparable deliveries means completed consultancy assignments that include assistance in one or several of the following areas: • transport or

public transport, • mobility or area planning • development, analysis or further development of mobility services. • assessment of consequences for infrastructure measures for public transport and mobility, particularly within electrification. • Analysis, insight and review work, particularly within mobility. • project management or professional assistance, particularly in projects related to mobility and infrastructure for roads and energy. It is sufficient that the references together fulfil the experience requirement. Reference projects carried out by the tenderer or supporting companies can only be given. References based on individual employees' previous experience from other organisations will not be accepted. Documentation requirement: A description of the tenderer's up to three (3) most relevant and comparable assignments in the last three (3) years. Tenderers shall document fulfilment by filling in the attached template for reference descriptions. See annex D - Template for reference descriptions. The overview of the deliveries shall as a minimum contain the following: • Name of the contracting authority. • Date of execution • The contract's value in nok • Brief description of the delivery

The criteria will be used to select the candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure

Criterion: Certificates by independent bodies about quality assurance standards

Description of selection criterion: Requirement: Tenderers shall have a documented quality assurance system. Documentation requirement: A description of the tenderer's quality assurance methods. If a tenderer is certified in accordance with ISO 9001 or equivalent quality assurance certifications, it is sufficient to enclose a copy of a valid certificate.

Information about the second stage of a two-stage procedure:

Minimum number of candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure: 4

Maximum number of candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure: 7

The procedure will take place in successive stages. At each stage, some participants may be eliminated

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: Norwegian

Address of the procurement documents: <https://permalink.mercell.com/283474721.aspx>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://permalink.mercell.com/283474721.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 requests to participate: 08/06/2026 10:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Terms of contract:

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

Conditions relating to the performance of the contract: See the attached documentation for information.

Financial arrangement: See the attached documentation for information.

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

Framework agreement, with reopening of competition

Maximum number of participants: 3

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Trøndelag tingrett

Information about review deadlines: The tender contest has a ten day waiting period. See the documentation for further information.

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: AtB AS

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: AtB AS

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: AtB AS

Registration number: 994686011

Postal address: Prinsens gate 39

Town: TRONDHEIM

Postcode: 7011

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

Contact point: Avdeling Kontrakt

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Internet address: <http://www.atb.no>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

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Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Trøndelag tingrett

Registration number: 926722794

Town: Trondheim

Postcode: 7004

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

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