

**Belgium-Brussels: Study on the Impact of State Aid Rules for Banks in Difficulty**

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Contract notice

Services

**Legal Basis:**

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Competition (COMP)

Postal address: Madouplein 1

Town: Brussels

NUTS code: BE100 Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

E-mail: [COMP-EVALUATION-BANK-RULES@ec.europa.eu](mailto:COMP-EVALUATION-BANK-RULES@ec.europa.eu)**Internet address(es):**Main address: <http://ec.europa.eu/competition/>**I.3. Communication**The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=10963>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=10963>**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

European institution/agency or international organisation

**I.5. Main activity**

General public services

**Section II: Object**

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**II.1. Scope of the procurement****II.1.1. Title**

Study on the Impact of State Aid Rules for Banks in Difficulty

Reference number: COMP/2022/OP/0003

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

79310000 Market research services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4. Short description**

The study is expected to assess the application of the state aid rules for banks in difficulty, their:

- (i) impact on financial stability,
- (ii) impact on competition,
- (iii) impact on long-term viability of aided banks,
- (iv) impact on market discipline, and
- (v) efficiency.

The study is expected to analyse the available specialised literature and market data in detail and provide an independent quantitative and qualitative assessment of the above-mentioned aspects in terms of effectiveness and efficiency, supported by thorough collection of evidence. As a result, the study should serve the contracting authority as input for the evaluation of the State aid rules applicable to banks in difficulty since their entry into force in end-2008, in line with the Commission's Better Regulation principles.

#### **II.1.5. Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 750 000,00 EUR

#### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

### **II.2. Description**

#### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

79310000 Market research services

#### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: BE100 Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad

Main site or place of performance: Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

#### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

Study on the impact of state aid rules for banks in difficulty.

#### **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**

Value excluding VAT: 750 000,00 EUR

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

Duration in months: 10

This contract is subject to renewal: no

#### **II.2.10. Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: no

#### **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: Single market programme.

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

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

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### 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:

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

#### III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### III.2. Conditions related to the contract

#### III.2.2. Contract performance conditions

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

#### III.2.3. 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

## Section IV: Procedure

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### IV.1. Description

#### IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

#### 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: 16/09/2022 Local time: 16:00

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

#### IV.2.4. 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

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

Duration in months: 8 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 20/09/2022 Local time: 10:00

Place:

Tenders will be opened electronically on the date and time indicated in the contract notice. It is possible to attend the opening by videoconference.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

## **Section VI: Complementary information**

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### **VI.1. Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

### **VI.3. Additional information**

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3). In case of unavailability or disruptions in the functioning of the electronic means of communication provided in Section I.3) in the last five calendar days before the time limit for receipt indicated in Section IV.2.2), the contracting authority reserves the right to extend this time limit and publish the extension at the internet address provided in Section I.3), 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 I.3) in order to get notified when new information or documents are published.

### **VI.4. Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: General Court of the European Union

Postal address: rue du Fort Niedergrünwald

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: L-2925

Country: Luxembourg

Telephone: +352 4303-1

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

#### **VI.4.3. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Please consult the procurement documents available at the address indicated in Section I.3).

### **VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

24/06/2022