

**Belgium-Brussels: Study on Sustainability Ratings and Research**

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Contract notice

Services

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: European Commission - Directorate General for Financial Stability, Financial Services and Capital Markets Union

Postal address: SPA2 07/020

Town: Brussels

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

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

E-mail: [EC-FISMA-CONTRACTS@ec.europa.eu](mailto:EC-FISMA-CONTRACTS@ec.europa.eu)

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: [https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/financial-stability-financial-services-and-capital-markets-union\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/financial-stability-financial-services-and-capital-markets-union_en)

**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=5281>

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=5281>

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

**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 Sustainability Ratings and Research

Reference number: FISMA/2019/046/C

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

79310000 Market research services

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4. Short description**

This study will:

- (i) provide a state of play of the sustainability-related products and services market,
- (ii) establish an inventory and classification of actors and sustainability products/services available in the market,
- (iii) explore the use and quality of sustainability-related products and services, and
- (iv) provide the European Commission with recommendations and best practices to stimulate demand and improve the quality of supply.

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

Value excluding VAT: 250 000,00 EUR

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

This contract is divided into lots: no

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

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

73200000 Research and development consultancy services

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

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

Main site or place of performance: The tasks are to be performed at the premises of the contractor. A maximum of 6 meetings can take place in Brussels and/or Paris (see tender specifications).

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

The study shall:

- describe the state of play in the sustainability-related products and services market, from an economic and legal standpoint,
- identify and classify sustainability-related products and services, and their providers and explore their business models per category of providers,
- analyse the source and type of data used by sustainability-related products and services providers,
- analyse the data assessment process and transparency of methodologies of ESG ratings,
- analyse the use of sustainability-related products and services by both investors and corporate companies,
- provide the European Commission with some recommendations and best practices in relation to the abovementioned sections of the study.

#### **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: 250 000,00 EUR

#### **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.2.10. 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:  
no

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

### **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:  
See procurement documents.

##### **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.2.3. 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: 23/09/2019 Local time: 23:59

##### **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: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date: 25/09/2019 Local time: 10:00

Place:

Rue de Spa 2, 1000 Brussels.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: A maximum of 2 representatives per tender may attend the opening session. For organisational and security reasons the tenderer must provide the full name, date of birth, nationality and ID or passport number of the representatives at least 2 working days in advance to: EC-FISMA-Contracts@ec.europa.eu. Failing that, the contracting authority reserves the right to refuse access to its premises.

### **Section VI: Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: no

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

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

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

Official name: General Court of the Court of Justice of the European Union

Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: 2925

Country: Luxembourg

E-mail: [generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu](mailto:generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu)

Telephone: +352 4303-1

Fax: +352 4303-2100

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

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Within 2 months of the notification given to the plaintiff or, in the absence thereof, from the day it came to knowledge. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have as an effect either to suspend, nor to open a new period for lodging appeals.

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

02/08/2019