

B-Brussels: multiple framework contract for the evaluation of humanitarian aid and civil protection activities

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection — ECHO

Postal address: rue de la Loi 200

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

Contact person: Unit A.3 — Policy and Implementation Frameworks

For the attention of: The Evaluation Function

E-mail: echo-eval@ec.europa.eu

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://ec.europa.eu/echo/>

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

Official name: Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection

Postal address: AN 88

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

Internet address: http://ec.europa.eu/echo/funding/opportunities/tender_en.htm

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

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3. Main activity**I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities**

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description**II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Multiple framework contract for the evaluation of humanitarian aid and civil protection activities.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

Main site or place of performance: Main place for performance 'extra muros', to be defined for each specific contract.

NUTS code

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in months: 48

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 1 700 000 and 2 300 000 EUR

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

The purpose of this framework contract is to supply the European Commission services, and particularly the Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (DG ECHO), through its evaluation function, with independent evaluation expertise on the area of humanitarian interventions and civil protection activities.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

73200000 Research and development consultancy services

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

The initial duration of the FWC is 12 months renewable 3 times for 12 months each time.

Estimated budget for lot 1 between 1 500 000 EUR and 2 000 000 EUR and for lot 2 between 200 000 EUR and 300 000 EUR.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 1 700 000 and 2 300 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Number of possible renewals: 3

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:

in months: 12 (from the award of the contract)

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Evaluation of humanitarian aid and civil protection activities

1) Short description

The contractors will be requested to carry out the following evaluations, or evaluation-related studies:

- evaluation of humanitarian operations,
- thematic and strategic evaluations,
- thematic and strategic level evaluations of civil protection,
- evaluation of the civil protection policy and its implementation,
- evaluation of civil protection activities in specific phases of the disaster management cycle,
- stocktaking activities,
- evaluation of cooperation strategies or projects with the Commission's humanitarian and civil protection partners and with Member States,
- evaluation of interactions between humanitarian and civil protection operations and activities in order to reinforce effectiveness and cooperation,
- development of methodological tools for the evaluation of humanitarian and civil protection interventions.

2) CPV code(s)

73200000 Research and development consultancy services

3) Quantity or scope

Multiple framework contract with reopening of competition with a maximum of 4 contractors. Initial duration of 12 months, renewable 3 times for 12 months each time.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 1 500 000 and 2 000 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Small-scale evaluation activities of civil protection response interventions

1) Short description

The contractors will be requested to evaluate specific interventions coordinated by the Monitoring and Information Centre (MIC), as part of the 'Lessons learnt' programme. This will likely be the case for several operations per year (max. 3–4), including interventions of a large scale or of a more complex nature (i.e. involving a variety of actors such as humanitarian aid, military, multiple States deploying assistance; complex logistical organisation). It could also include new and unforeseen types of interventions (i.e. response to CBRN-related disasters, specific expertise or capabilities). Such interventions could take from a minimum of 7–10 days to 2–3 months (e.g. Haiti earthquake in 2010) and multiple interventions may take place for the same emergency.

The evaluation will involve direct contact with the European Union Civil Protection team (EUCP team) deployed on the ground, the various EU teams/modules deployed, the MIC, various other actors (Member States, EU services, UN and its agencies, NGOs, States receiving assistance, etc.) at HQ or ground level. The contractors should be ready for immediate deployment on the site of an emergency, in case the Commission requests the start of the evaluation while the intervention is still ongoing. Deployment on the site of an

emergency could also be requested after the end of the first response phase, to collect information from the partners on the ground.

2) CPV code(s)

73200000 Research and development consultancy services

3) Quantity or scope

Multiple framework contract in 'cascade' with a maximum of 3 contractors.

Initial duration of 12 months renewable 3 times for 12 months each time.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 200 000 and 300 000 EUR

4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

No guarantees are required.

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

See tender specifications.

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

Joint tenders submitted by several economic operators (consortia) are allowed. Economic operators in a joint tender assume joint and several liability toward the European Commission. Economic operators may be required to take a legal form in conformity with relevant national and European legislation.

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: See tender specifications.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: See tender specifications.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:
See tender specifications.

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. 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: yes

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

ECHO/A3/FRA/2012/04.

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2012/S 61-098394](#) of 28.3.2012

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 29.1.2013

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

4.2.2013 - 16:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

Any EU official language

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 14.2.2013 - 10:00

Place:

rue d'Arlon 88, 1040 Brussels, BELGIUM.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Not more than 1 representative per tenderer (with proof of identity). The name of the representative must be communicated to the contact point by e-mail no later than 2 working days before the opening session.

No expenses reimbursed.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

VI.3. Additional information

Pursuant to Article 126.1(f) and (3) of the Financial Regulation applicable to the general budget of the European Communities, the Commission reserves the right to use a negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in case new services, consisting in the repetition of similar services entrusted to the economic operator awarded the initial contract, are deemed necessary.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Court of Justice of the European Union

Postal address: boulevard Konrad Adenauer, Kirchberg

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: 2925

Country: Luxembourg

E-mail: cfi.registry@curia.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 4303-1

Fax: +352 4303-2600

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

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff, or, in the absence thereof, on the day it came to knowledge. Lodging an appeal does not mean that this deadline is suspended or a new one is set.

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

30.11.2012