

Italy-Parma: Developing a Methodology to Assess Positive Animal Welfare Using Behaviour-analytic and Ethological Approaches

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

Postal address: Via Carlo Magno 1A

Town: Parma

NUTS code: ITH52 Parma

Postal code: 43126

Country: Italy

E-mail: EFSAProcurement@efsa.europa.eu**Internet address(es):**Main address: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/>Address of the buyer profile: <http://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/procurement/tenders.htm>**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=14842>

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=14842>**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

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

Developing a Methodology to Assess Positive Animal Welfare Using Behaviour-analytic and Ethological Approaches

Reference number: OC/EFSA/BIOHAW/2023/03

II.1.2. Main CPV code

73110000 Research services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The purpose of this call for tenders is to identify a tenderer in order to combine expertise in the field of animal welfare science (ethology, animal sciences) and behaviour analysis (experimental and applied behaviour analysis, behavioural pharmacology) to develop a scientifically robust methodology to assess animals' preferences and choice ('asking the animal'), assess the reinforcing properties of these preferences, and use the animal's viewpoint expressed by those choices to develop indicators for positive animal welfare on farm. A second objective is to recommend a methodology to assess the effect of feed additives on animal welfare, for example applying experimental protocols applied in behavioural pharmacology to the effect of substances (drugs or dietary) on behaviour.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: ITH52 Parma

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

To combine expertise in the field of animal welfare science (ethology, animal sciences) and behaviour analysis (experimental and applied behaviour analysis, behavioural pharmacology) to develop a scientifically robust methodology to assess animals' preferences and choice ('asking the animal'), assess the reinforcing properties of these preferences, and use the animal's viewpoint expressed by those choices to develop indicators for positive animal welfare on farm. A second objective is to recommend a methodology to assess the effect of feed additives on animal welfare, for example applying experimental protocols applied in behavioural pharmacology to the effect of substances (drugs or dietary) on behaviour.

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: 500 000,00 EUR

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

Duration in months: 36

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

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

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:

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

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents.

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

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

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: no

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2023/S 090-276388](#)

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

Date: 27/09/2023 Local time: 14:30

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

English, Bulgarian, Danish, German, Greek, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish, Swedish, Czech

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: 28/09/2023 Local time: 14:30

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

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

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 5 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

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

Telephone: +352 4303-1

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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

27/06/2023