

Belgium-Brussels: International comparison of cumulative regulatory costs for the chemical industry — considerations on competitiveness issues concerning the sector

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs,
Directorate D: Consumer, Environmental and Health Technologies

Postal address: BREY 12/088

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

Internet address(es):General address of the contracting authority: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/index_en.htmAddress of the buyer profile: http://ec.europa.eu/growth/contracts-grants/calls-for-tenders/index_en.htmElectronic access to information: <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=1088>**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:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: Official name: European Commission,
Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, Directorate D,
Unit D/2 — Chemicals

Postal address: see invitation to tender

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1049

Country: Belgium

For the attention of: see invitation to tender

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3. Main activity

General public services

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

International comparison of cumulative regulatory costs for the chemical industry — considerations on competitiveness issues concerning the sector.

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

Services

Service category No 11: Management consulting services [6] and related services

Main site or place of performance: The place of performance of the tasks shall be the contractor(s) premises or any other place indicated in the tender, with the exception of the Commission's premises.

NUTS code

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

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

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

The aim of this study is to assess the cumulative regulatory costs borne by chemicals companies operating in countries which are the main international competitors of the EU and to compare these costs with those borne by chemicals companies operating in the EU. More specifically, the study will:

- analyse the overall cost structures of main international competitors and compare them with the EU chemical industry,
- identify the relevant chemicals-related legislation in selected third countries and assess, in a qualitative manner, cumulative cost effects it engenders in comparison with cumulative costs resulting from chemicals-related legislation in the EU,
- carry out case studies on the cost effects of the most relevant chemicals-related legislation in selected third countries, with the objective to compare them also in quantitative terms with the costs engendered by chemicals-related legislation in the EU and to assess their potential impact on the international competitiveness of EU chemicals companies,
- validate the results from the study with relevant stakeholders.

The study shall analyse the cumulative cost effects resulting from chemicals-related legislation in China, the United States and a third country to be proposed by the contractor from the following list: Brazil, India, Japan and South Korea. The consultant will identify and analyse the applicable legislation irrespective of the level at which it has been enacted, i.e. both at central /federal as well as at sub-central level. The study shall cover all relevant subsectors of the chemical industry and chemicals-related legislation that have a direct or indirect cost effect. The contractor shall give a suitable basis to prepare a competitiveness analysis to be conducted in the future.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

79410000 Business and management 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: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT: 225 000 EUR

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 15 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

See tender specifications.

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

See tender specifications.

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

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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

488/PP/GRO/SME/15/F/S121.

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

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: 29.1.2016

Payable documents: no

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

29.1.2016

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

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 10.2.2016 - 15:00

Place:

European Commission, Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, room BREY 12/ST01, avenue d'Auderghem 45, 1049 Brussels, BELGIUM.

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

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure: An authorised representative of each tenderer may attend the opening of the bids. Companies wishing to attend are requested to notify their intention by sending an e-mail at least 48 hours in advance to the e-mail address

given in the tender specifications, Section 3.1. This notification must be signed by an authorised officer of the tenderer and specify the name of the person who will attend the opening of the bids on the tenderer's behalf.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. 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: Regulation (EU) No 1287/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11.12.2013 establishing a Programme for the Competitiveness of Enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME) (2014–2020) and repealing Decision No 1639/2006/EC (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 33).

VI.3. Additional information

The estimated value indicated in point II.2 is the maximum estimated value.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: General Court of the European Union

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: 2925

Country: Luxembourg

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

Telephone: +352 4303-1

Fax: +352 4303-2100

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, of the day on which it came to the knowledge. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have as an effect either to suspend this period or to open a new period for lodging appeals.

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

30.11.2015