

**Belgium-Brussels: An assessment of the cumulative cost impacts of specified EU legislation and policies on the EU forest-based industries**

OJ S 249/2014 27/12/2014

Contract award notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: European Commission, Directorate-General for Enterprise and Industry,  
Directorate F: Resources Based, Manufacturing and Consumer Goods Industries, Unit F3:  
Raw Materials, Metals, Minerals and Forest-based Industries

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/enterprise/dgs/index\\_en](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/dgs/index_en)Address of the buyer profile: [http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/contracts-grants/calls-for-tenders/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/contracts-grants/calls-for-tenders/index_en.htm)**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**

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**II.1. Description****II.1.1. Title**

An assessment of the cumulative cost impacts of specified EU legislation and policies on the EU forest-based industries.

**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 (DPS)****II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

The EU forest-based industries (F-BI) comprise the woodworking, furniture, pulp and paper

manufacturing and converting and printing industries. These are interlinked across a number of value chains by having a common raw material: wood. They also have in common a number of challenges, as identified in a recent communication 'A new EU forest strategy: for forests and the forest-based sector' (COM(2013) 659) and accompanying staff working document 'A blueprint for the EU forest-based industries' (SWD(2013) 343). These challenges include the impact of various EU policies and legislation on the competitiveness of the F-BI subsectors. In this context, a cumulative cost assessment of the EU legislation and policies affecting the EU F-BI value chains should provide valuable feedback for future policy-making, including 'smart regulation'.

The overall objective of the study will be to assess the cumulative cost impacts over the indicated period of years of specified EU legislation and policies, on the EU forest-based industries, notably on their profit margins and in relation to international competitors — in their own home markets — which are not fully subject to EU legislation and policies. The results would contribute to a wider analysis of impacts, including costs, benefits, and coherence of policies and legislation as well as to the implementation of the regulatory fitness and performance (REFIT) programme (COM(2013) 685) and the industrial policy (COM(2014) 14).

#### **II.1.5. CPV code(s)**

79410000 Business and management consultancy services

#### **II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

### **II.2. Total value of the contract/lot**

#### **II.2.1. Total value of the contract/lot**

Value: 386 200 EUR  
excluding VAT

## **Section IV: Procedure**

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### **IV.1. Type of procedure**

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Open

### **IV.2. Award criteria**

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

1. Degree of understanding of the objectives and the tasks to be performed, including the organisation and understanding of the work to be carried out in order to achieve the objectives; contractors should not simply repeat the terms of reference provided by the Commission. Weighting 20

2. Quality and suitability, including originality, strength and completeness of the technical approach to fulfil tasks and to meet objectives, especially the definition of CCA methodology (in particular to cross-check companies' own cost allocations) and the collection and analysis of relevant information. Weighting 30

3. Quality, including originality of and criteria for the selection of: the forest-based industries' value chains and variants across their 4 subsectors; ranges of companies from large and multinationals to SMEs and microenterprises; stratification of the EU by relevant region types; selection of global regions competing with the EU forest-based industries. Weighting 30

4. Quality of the work programme and efficiency of project management including: realistic timetable based on a balanced and consistent method of work; level of involvement of senior experts and the related allocation of human resources; quality control measures. Weighting 20

#### **IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: no

#### **IV.3. Administrative information**

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

395/PP/ENT/SME/14/F/S202.

##### **IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

###### **Prior information notice**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2014/S 65-110042](#) of 2.4.2014

###### **Contract notice**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2014/S 108-189249](#) of 6.6.2014

#### **Section V: Award of contract**

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Contract No: 30-CE-0677520/00-74

Lot title: An assessment of the cumulative cost impacts of specified EU legislation and policies on the EU forest-based industries

##### **V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract**

10.12.2014

##### **V.2. Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

##### **V.3. Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Technopolis Group Belgium (BE) in partnership with European Forest Institute (EFI) and BOKU University (AT)

Town: Brussels

Postal code: 1040

Country: Belgium

Internet address: <http://www.technopolis-group.com>

##### **V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot:

Value: 400 000 EUR

excluding VAT

Total value of the procurement:

Value: 386 200 EUR

excluding VAT

##### **V.5. Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: yes

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties:

Proportion: 6,89 %

Short description of the value/proportion of the contract to be sub-contracted: Consulted experts in the field.

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

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## **VI.1. 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: Programme for the competitiveness of enterprises and small and medium-sized enterprises (COSME) (2014–2020) established by Regulation No 1287/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11.12.2013 (OJ L 347/33 20.12.2013).

## **VI.2. Additional information**

## **VI.3. Procedures for review**

### **VI.3.1. Review body**

Official name: General Court 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.3.2. 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.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

## **VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice**

17.12.2014