

Netherlands-Amsterdam: Servers

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Contract notice

Supplies

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: GÉANT

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I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://s2c.mercell.com/today/43433>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://s2c.mercell.com/today/43433>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: Research Networking

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

AC3 WACREN CLOUD

II.1.2. Main CPV code

48820000 Servers

II.1.3. Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4. Short description

GEANT is supporting WACREN under the AfricaConnect3 project funded by the European Union (DG INTPA)

WACREN operates a backbone network with points of presence (PoPs) in West and Central Africa, utilising submarine and terrestrial cables to interconnect locally, regionally and globally. Aggregation PoPs in London, Lagos, Accra and Abidjan to Edge PoPs which serve as access points for NRENs in Burkina Faso, Benin, Côte d'Ivoire, Ghana, Nigeria and Togo.

WACREN runs a cloud service to support e-Research activities aligned with SDGs between teams of end users, technologists and NREN representatives. This infrastructure is being upgraded in AfricaConnect3 to provide more storage and compute nodes. This tender is intended to support this upgrade requirement.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 330 000,00 EUR

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

WACREN's objective in publishing this tender (with GEANT's support) is to secure a contract for the supply and support of cloud server equipment to provide member services, funded under the AfricaConnect3 project. The project, 80% funded by the European Commission (EC), will build upon the high-capacity network for research and education that has been established in the WACREN region over the last 6 years.

WACREN seeks to establish its own resilient cloud server infrastructure to deliver services to member NRENs and institutes in the region. The solution will be collocated at the WACREN PoP which is in MDXI in Lagos, Nigeria.

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: 330 000,00 EUR

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

Duration in months: 12

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The contract that GÉANT and WACREN seek to award following this Invitation to Tender (ITT) exercise shall have an initial term of one (1) year. The contract thereafter can potentially be extended by up to 2 further 1 year terms, subject to the mutual agreement of the parties and the availability of the relevant funding.

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:
yes

Identification of the project: The AfricaConnect3 project receives funding from the European Union under Grant Contract DCI-PANAF/2019/411-583.

II.2.14. Additional information

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:

As stated in the Tender documents

III.1.2. Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

As stated in the Tender documents

III.1.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

As stated in the Tender documents

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

Date: 06/09/2023 Local time: 17:00

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

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

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

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 06/09/2023 Local time: 18:00

Section VI: Complementary information

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: RECHTBANK AMSTERDAM

Town: Amsterdam

Country: Netherlands

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

In accordance with RECHTBANK AMSTERDAM procedures if needed

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

26/07/2023