

516253-2026 - Competition

Belgium – Administration services – Expert Network for Analytical Support in Social Policies
OJ S 142/2026 27/07/2026
Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: European Commission, DG EMPL - Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Email: EMPL-VT-2026-013@ec.europa.eu

Legal type of the buyer: EU institution, body or agency

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Expert Network for Analytical Support in Social Policies

Description: The European Commission intends to launch a call for tender for the establishment and operation of a network of independent social policy experts supporting the Commission's work in the fields of social protection and social inclusion. The future contract will aim to provide high-quality analytical support on social protection and social inclusion policies and developments at both national and European levels, succeeding the current expert network operating until 2026. The network will support the Commission in the preparation, development, implementation and monitoring of EU social policy initiatives, including activities related to the European Semester. The services to be requested are expected to include, among others: analytical and comparative reporting on national social policy developments; expert assessments and thematic analysis in the areas of social protection and social inclusion; support for policy monitoring and evidence gathering at EU level; rapid-response analytical support on emerging policy issues; and secretarial and coordination services for the MISSOC (Mutual Information System on Social Protection) network.

Procedure identifier: 0a22426d-f3c1-4c5f-822b-349209db9cc7

Internal identifier: EC-EMPL/2026/OP/0010

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 75100000 Administration services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere in the European Economic Area

Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

2.1.4. General information

Additional information: In case of unavailability or disruptions in the functioning of the electronic means of communication provided in Section 5.1.11 in the last 5 calendar days before the time limit for receipt indicated in Section 5.1.12, the contracting authority reserves

the right to extend this time limit and publish the extension at the Internet address provided in Section 5.1.11, 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 5.1.11 in order to get notified when new information or documents are published.

Legal basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2024/2509

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 48 Months

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 3

Other information about renewals: The contract is concluded for an initial period of 12 (twelve) months, renewable 3 (three) time(s). Please consult the draft contract in the procurement documents.

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project fully or partially financed with EU Funds.

Information about European Union funds:

EU funds programme: European Social Fund Plus (ESF+) (2021/2027)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

Information about previous notices:

Identifier of the previous notice: 349306-2026

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

5.1.10. Award criteria**Criterion:**

Type: Quality

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 60

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Please consult the procurement documents.

Category of award weight criterion: Weight (percentage, exact)

Award criterion number: 40

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Deadline for requesting additional information: 03/09/2026 23:59:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Address of the procurement documents: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/0a22426d-f3c1-4c5f-822b-349209db9cc7-CN?#anchorDocuments>

Ad hoc communication channel:

Name: Funding and Tenders Portal

URL: <https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/portal/screen/opportunities/tender-details/0a22426d-f3c1-4c5f-822b-349209db9cc7-CN?#anchorDocuments>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement**Terms of submission:**

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/digit/opsys/esubmission?cftUuid=0a22426d-f3c1-4c5f-822b-349209db9cc7>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Latvian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Swedish

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 11/09/2026 16:00:59 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 9 Months

Information about public opening:

Opening date: 14/09/2026 10:00:00 (UTC+02:00) Eastern European Time, Central European Summer Time

Terms of contract:

The execution of the contract must be performed within the framework of sheltered employment programmes: No

Electronic invoicing: Allowed
Electronic ordering will be used: yes
Electronic payment will be used: yes

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement:

No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Court of Justice of the European Union

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: European Commission,
DG EMPL - Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: European Commission, DG EMPL - Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Registration number: COM

Department: EMPL.D - Social Rights and Inclusion

Postal address: 46 Rue du Commerce (C-046)

Town: Brussels

Postcode: B-1000

Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)

Country: Belgium

Email: EMPL-VT-2026-013@ec.europa.eu

Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11

Internet address: http://ec.europa.eu/info/departments/employment-social-affairs-and-inclusion_en

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Court of Justice of the European Union

Registration number: CURIA

Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald

Town: Luxembourg

Postcode: L-2925

Country subdivision (NUTS): Luxembourg (LU000)

Country: Luxembourg

Email: GC.Registry@curia.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 4303-1

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

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: European Commission

Registration number: EUCOM

Postal address: Mondrian (CDMA), Rue du Champ de Mars 21
Town: Brussels
Postcode: B-1050
Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)
Country: Belgium
Email: EMPL-VT-2026-013@ec.europa.eu
Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11
Internet address: <https://commission.europa.eu/>
Roles of this organisation:
TED eSender

Notice information

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