524275-2026 - Competition

Belgium – Environmental services – European Monitoring of Biodiversity in Agricultural Landscapes (EMBAL) 2028
OJ S 144/2026 29/07/2026
Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: European Commission, DG ENV - Environment
Email: env-tenders@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: European Monitoring of Biodiversity in Agricultural Landscapes (EMBAL) 2028
Description: OBJECTIVES: The general objectives of this contract are to contribute towards i) the establishment of a robust data series on the state of biodiversity in agricultural landscapes in the EU, and ii) a better understanding of (the impacts of policy actions on) the biodiversity trends in agricultural landscapes at the EU and national level. The specific objectives of this contract are i) to undertake the EMBAL field survey in all EU Member States in 2028 and 2029, and ii) to analyse the collected data. The contract will survey at least 4500 sites in each year (i.e. undertake at least 9 000 site-surveys across the two years), strictly following the EMBAL survey protocol and technical guidelines as prepared and executed in the EMBAL survey 2022/2023. TASKS: 1) Preparation of the field survey (including sampling strategy and design, pre-processing of monitoring sites, selection and recruitment of surveyors, material and equipment, digitised data workflow, helpdesk, quality control and contingency planning); 2) Execution of the field survey; 3) Data post-processing; 4) Data analysis; 5) Organisation of a conference to present the results. KEY DOCUMENTS AND LINKS: 1) EMBAL survey protocol and technical guidelines: https://biodiversity.europa.eu/europes-biodiversity/nature-restoration/reference-portal-for-nature-restoration-regulation/documentation/embal-toolkit.7z 2) EMBAL 2022/2023 dataset: https://data.jrc.ec.europa.eu/dataset/723355a8-e549-4691-9c0d-83ab7fc7a0c4 3) EMBAL 2022/2023 analytical report: https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/a4444ad4-16b0-11f1-8870-01aa75ed71a1/language-en 4) EMBAL 2022/2023 appendix to the analytical report: https://op.europa.eu/en/publication-detail/-/publication/8f047e20-16af-11f1-8870-01aa75ed71a1/language-en
Procedure identifier: 31919d18-be58-490d-9a1d-5652c487e9ea
Internal identifier: EC-ENV/2026/OP/0028
Type of procedure: Open
The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services
Main classification (cpv): 90700000 Environmental services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere
Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 5 400 000,00 EUR

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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Main nature of the contract: Services
Main classification (cpv): 90700000 Environmental services

5.1.2. Place of performance

Anywhere
Additional information: Please consult the procurement documents.

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 15/01/2027
Duration: 48 Months

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 5 400 000,00 EUR

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: Programme for the Environment and Climate Action (LIFE) (2021/2027)
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes
Information about previous notices:
Identifier of the previous notice: 491258-2026

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: 29/09/2026 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/31919d18-be58-490d-9a1d-5652c487e9ea-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/31919d18-be58-490d-9a1d-5652c487e9ea-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=31919d18-be58-490d-9a1d-5652c487e9ea

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: 07/10/2026 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: 08/10/2026 10:30:00 (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 ENV - Environment

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: European Commission, DG ENV - Environment
Registration number: COM
Department: ENV.D - Biodiversity
Postal address: Avenue d' Auderghem 19, BRE2 10/DCS
Town: Brussels
Postcode: B-1040
Country subdivision (NUTS): Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale/Arr. Brussel-Hoofdstad (BE100)
Country: Belgium
Email: env-tenders@ec.europa.eu
Telephone: +32 2 299 11 11
Internet address: http://ec.europa.eu/environment/funding/calls_en.htm
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 Niedergrünewald

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: env-tenders@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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