

577990-2026 - Competition

Norway – Construction work for water and sewage pipelines – Partnering contract for Skjersholmane sewage treatment facility, machinery and process.

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Works

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Norconsult

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Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking

Activity of the contracting entity: Water-related activities

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Partnering contract for Skjersholmane sewage treatment facility, machinery and process.
Description: Stord Vatn and Avløp AS (SVA) invites tenderers to a competition for contract M1 Machine and Process Contract for the project Skjersholmane Treatment Facility. New process engineering installations (this contract) shall be dimensioned for a future expected load on 33,000 pe in 2065. The competition will be held in two stages and a prequalification will be held first and thereafter those who become prequalified tenderers are invited to submit tenders. The zoning plan and emissions application are being processing (at Stord municipality and the government administrator respectively). and both are expected to be approved during 2026. The project is divided into the following contracts: • Contract M1 - Interaction for Machine and Process Contract (this contract) • Contract B1 - Building • Contract B2 - Ground work and emission arrangement. This contract (M1) includes project development, engineering design, delivery, assembly, testing, commissioning and optimisation of process and machine devices and the contract (M1) is divided into two phases; Phase 1 is an interaction phase up to a turnkey contract. Phase 2 is the execution phase for the turnkey contract. The contractor will initially be chosen for both phases in M1 through this procurement.
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Internal identifier: 7158

Type of procedure: Negotiated with prior publication of a call for competition / competitive with negotiation

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Works

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2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Vestland (NO0A2)

Country: Norway

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/25/EU

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Notice

Analogous situation like bankruptcy, insolvency or arrangement with creditors under national law: Is the tenderer in a bankruptcy situation? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Bankruptcy: Is the tenderer in a bankruptcy situation? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Corruption: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, by enforceable judgement been convicted of corruption by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Corruption as defined in Article 3 of the Convention on Combating Corruption, involving European Communities or European Union member states (EUT C 195 of 25.6.1997, s. 1), and in Article 2, point 1, in the Council's framework decision 2003/568/RIA of 22 July 2003 on combating corruption in the private sector (EUT L 192 of 31.7.2003, p. 54). This rejection reason also includes corruption as defined in national law for the contracting authority or supplier.

Arrangement with creditors: Is the supplier in a situation where he has been forced debt arrangement? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Participation in a criminal organisation: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted verdict of participation in a criminal organisation by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of the Council's framework decision 2008/841/RIA of 24 October 2008 on control of organised crime (EUT L 300 of 11.11.2008, p. 42).

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition: Has the tenderer entered into agreement(s) with other tenderers with the intention of turning the competition?

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of environmental provisions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Money laundering or terrorist financing: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of money laundering or financing terrorism by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set out directly in the judgement that still applies? Money laundering or financing terrorism As defined in Article 1 of the European Parliament and Council Directive 2005/60/EF of 26 October 2005 on preventive measures against the use of the financial system for money laundering and financing terrorism (EUT L 309 of 25.11.2005, p. 15).

Fraud: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, at the time a legally convicted of fraud has been convicted of fraud by a verdict handed down not more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Fraud included in Article 1 of the Convention on protection of the Financial Interests of the European Communities (EFT C 316 of 27.11.1995, p. 48).

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of child labour and other forms of human trafficking by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period determined directly in the judgement that still applies? Child labour and other forms of human trafficking as defined in Article 2 of the European Parliament and council directive 2011/36/EU of 5. 1 April 2011 on the prevention and control of human trafficking and the protection of its victims and for compensation of the Council's framework decision 2002/629/RIA (EUT L 101 of 15.4.2011, p. 1).

Insolvency: Is the tenderer in an insolvency situation? Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of provisions on working conditions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Assets being administered by liquidator: Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or obtained confidential information of this procedure: Has the tenderer: a) given grossly incorrect information with the notification of the information required to verify that there is no basis for rejection, or of the qualification requirements being fulfilled, b) failed to provide such information, c) made reservations immediately to present the supporting documents requested by the contracting authority, or d) improperly affected the contracting authority's decision process to acquire confidential information that could give this an unlawful advantage in connection with competition, or negligently has given misleading information that can have a significant influence on decisions on rejection, selection or award?

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: Is the tenderer aware of a conflict of interest as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents?

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure: Has the tenderer or an entity associated with the supplier advised the contracting authority or in another way been involved in the planning of the competition?

Grave professional misconduct: Has the tenderer committed serious errors in professional practice? If relevant, see the definitions in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents.

Early termination, damages, or other comparable sanctions: Has the tenderer committed significant breaches of contract in connection with the fulfilment of a previous public contract, a previous contract with a public contracting authority or a previous concession contract, where the breach has led to the cancellation of the contract, compensation or other similar sanctions?

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law: Is the tenderer aware of breaches of provisions on social conditions as stated in national law, the relevant notice or procurement documents or Article 18 (2) of Directive 2014/24/EU.

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions: Have tenderers failed to fulfil all their social security obligations in the country where they are established and in their member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

Business activities are suspended: Specify why, under the mentioned circumstances, one is able to carry out the contract, considering the current national provisions and measures for continuing the business activities? It is not necessary to provide this information if rejection of tenderers in such a situation is obligatory in accordance with the current national law with no exceptions, when the tenderer is still able to carry out the contract.

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes: Has the tenderer not fulfilled all of his tax and duty obligations in both the country where he is established and in the contracting authority's member state, if this is a different country than what he is established in?

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body, or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, in the event a legal verdict has been convicted of acts of terrorism or criminal acts connected to terrorist activities by a verdict handed down no more than five years ago, or a rejection period set directly in the judgement that still applies? Acts of terrorism or criminal acts relating to terrorist activity as defined in Article 1 and 3 of the Council's framework decision 2002/475/RIA of 13 June 2002 on combating terrorism (EFT L 164, af 22.6.2002, p. 3). This rejection reason also includes incitement to, participation or attempts to commit such actions as included in Article 4 in the mentioned framework decision.

Offence concerning its professional conduct in the domain of defence procurement: Is the tenderer himself or a person, who is a member of the tenderer's administration, management or supervisory body, or has the competence to represent or control or make decisions in such bodies, have been legally convicted of offences regarding professional behaviour in defence procurements?

Lack of reliability to exclude risks to the security of the country: Is the tenderer assessed to lack the reliability necessary to exclude the risk of national security?

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: The contracting authority shall state that in Norway there are national rejection reasons. These shall be described in the procurement documents. Tenderers must respond to whether they are in one or more of the situations described in the national rejection reasons.

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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5.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Vestland (NO0A2)

Country: Norway

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 04/01/2027

Duration end date: 01/01/2030

5.1.4. Renewal

Maximum renewals: 0

5.1.6. General information

Reserved participation:

Participation is not reserved.

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

5.1.7. Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: Reduction of environmental impacts

Description: Reduction of environmental impact

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Notice

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers shall substantiate the financial capacity to fulfil the contract. Documentation requirements: Annex 1.3 Documented by: - The company's turnover in the last 3 years. - Annual report for the last year. - Credit evaluation/rating, not older than 3 months, based on the relevant accounting figures. The rating shall be carried out by a certified credit rating institution. The minimum requirement - the tenderer shall be credit worthy (Credit rating A or equivalent). Submission of a printout of the rating from Dun & Bradstreet, Experian or equivalent. If the tenderer feels that this does not provide a correct picture of the tenderer's financial capacity, this can be accounted for. The contracting authority can also obtain further documentation and assessments on the company's financial situation and use this in the qualification evaluation.

Criterion: References on specified works

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer shall have the main responsibility as a turnkey contractor (machine/process), including engineering design, construction and commissioning for at least two (2) municipal engineering treatment facilities with MBBR dimensioned for a minimum of 15,000 pe, in accordance with the contract. The reference projects (most of the service) must have been carried out in the last ten (10) years. Ongoing projects can also be accepted. Tenderers shall have 3D modelled at least one municipal engineering machine and process facility. Documentation requirements: Annex 1.4 (Reference Projects) The reference projects shall be summarised on the form in annex C, where the tenderer fills in the provided key information and answers the requirements. One or several of the references can be contacted for each supplier.

Criterion: Relevant educational and professional qualifications

Description of selection criterion: See the minimum requirements for the Project Manager, Process Manager/Design Manager, BIM/3D models, Site Manager in document SRA-M1-100 Part I Competition Description, ref. point 4.3 and how the annexes shall be marked. Documentation requirements: Shall be documented as stated in SRA-M1-100 Part I Competition Description, ref. point 4.3

Criterion: Measures for ensuring quality

Description of selection criterion: A quality assurance/management system that is suitable and sufficient to fulfil the contract. Documentation requirements: Annex 1.6 (Quality Assurance System) Tenderers shall give an account of the company's quality assurance/management system that the tenderer has implemented or plans to use for the execution of the delivery. If a tenderer has a third-party certified system, a valid certificate is sufficient. If the tenderer does not have a third-party certified system for the quality assurance/management system, the tenderer shall describe the routines and measures that are implemented by the delivery and that show that the tenderer has its own quality assurance/management system and documented targets.

Criterion: Environmental management measures

Description of selection criterion: An environmental management system suitable and sufficient to implement the contract. Documentation requirements: Annex 1.7 (Environmental Management) Tenderers shall give a description of the environmental management system that the tenderer has implemented or plans to use for the execution of the delivery. If a tenderer has a third-party certified system, a valid certificate is sufficient. If the tenderer does not have a third-party certified environmental management system, the tenderer shall describe procedures and measures that are implemented by the environmental management by the

execution of the delivery, showing that the tenderer has its own environmental strategy and documented environmental goals.

5.1.10. Award criteria

Criterion:

Type: Price

Description: Cost

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

Award criterion number: 20

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Assignment comprehension and interaction.

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

Award criterion number: 40

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: Core team competency

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

Award criterion number: 40

Criterion:

Type: Quality

Description: The competition is being held in accordance with the Utilities Regulations § 7-9 on climate and environmental considerations. According to the Utilities Regulations § 7-9, the contracting authority shall take into account climate and environment in all procurements in order to reduce the procurement's total climate footprint and environmental impact. Climate and environmental considerations as a starting point shall be weighted with a minimum of 30 percent in the procurement notice where the award criteria are weighted. The award criteria for climate and environment can still be replaced or combined with climate and environmental requirements in the requirement specifications if this results in a better climate or environmental effect. This shall be justified in the procurement documents. The contracting authority has assessed that climate and environmental considerations in this procurement are best taken care of through concrete requirements in the requirement specifications and the contract documentation, rather than as a separate award criterion. The justification is that the requirements govern the delivery against the material and solution depositions that are assessed to have the greatest impact on the climate and environmental effect in the M1 contract. An assessment has been carried out of which factors most affect climate and environmental considerations in the M1 contract. For this contract it is estimated that the material production will make up most of the emissions. The choice of materials for pipes and tanks is included in the interaction phase, but for this type of plant, the alternatives are, in practice, limited to materials in acid proof steel, polyethylene or fibreglass. The use of acid-proof steel, polyethylene and fibreglass which have low CO₂ emissions from the production are therefore required. There are concrete/specific requirements, and these shall be documented by EPDs. The requirements are described in the contract documentation for phase 2. The cleaning process's need for area, chemicals and electricity will affect the climate and environmental impact. The reduction in these parameters also results in lower costs for SVA, and optimisation of them is a natural part of the interaction phase and engineering design. EPDs or other third-party verified documentation of CO₂ emissions has not been found for polymer and precipitation chemicals that are estimated to contribute the most to the CO₂ emissions. Some manufacturers have the Product Carbon Footprint Data Sheet (PCF), but these are not third-party verified. These conditions will therefore be dealt with in the interaction

phase and are not suitable as the award criteria in this procurement. Many valves shall be assembled in the treatment plant and it has been examined whether it is possible to document the emissions of CO2 from the production of valves. There are EPDs for a few selected valves, but the valves for which EPDs exist are considered to only be a marginal part of the total number of different valves that shall be assembled and an even smaller part of the total CO2 emission. Any requirement for valves will therefore not have a significant impact on the CO2 emissions. Based on this, the contracting authority considers that climate and environmental considerations give better climate and environmental effect when safeguarded through requirements in the requirement specification and contract documentation, than by using a separate climate and environment criteria in the tender evaluation. A special award criterion for climate and environment has, therefore, not yet been determined.

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

Award criterion number: 0

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Access to certain procurement documents is restricted

Information about restricted documents is available at: <https://app.artifik.no/procurements/7158>

Ad hoc communication channel:

Name: e-Tendering

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://app.artifik.no/procurements/7158>

Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Norwegian

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of requests to participate: 21/09/2026 10:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Terms of contract:

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

Conditions relating to the performance of the contract: N/A

Electronic invoicing: Required

Electronic ordering will be used: yes

Electronic payment will be used: yes

Financial arrangement: N/A

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: Haugaland og Sunnhordland tingrett

Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure: Norconsult

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: Norconsult

Organisation receiving requests to participate: Artifik AS

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

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Buyer profile: <https://norconsult.no/>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer
Organisation providing additional information about the procurement procedure
Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Haugaland og Sunnhordland tingrett
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Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

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Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)
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Roles of this organisation:

Procurement service provider
Organisation receiving requests to participate

Notice information

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