

667798-2026 - Competition

Norway – Research services – Generative artificial intelligence and changes in sixth form colleges

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Contract or concession notice – standard regime

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Utdanningsdirektoratet

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Legal type of the buyer: Central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: Education

2. Procedure

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Title: Generative artificial intelligence and changes in sixth form colleges

Description: In spring 2023 the Government and QA launched a joint strategy for digital competence and infrastructure in nurseries and schools (2023-2030)[1] (hereafter; The strategy). The strategy points out that there is a need for more research and knowledge on how digital solutions are used in kindergarten and school and what educational value they provide. There is also a need for knowledge on employees' competence and sharing of digital practices. One of the initiatives in the strategy is "to establish a target orthopaedal research programme on the subject of and on digitalisation and digital competence in the sector". The strategy conveys a desire for the research programme to provide better and more systematic knowledge of good, reliable and appropriate use of digital systems and media in schools. One of the initiatives in the strategy is to develop research based knowledge on appropriate development of teaching and assessment practices in light of the changes that generative artificial intelligence (GenKI) brings about the education system. The assignment of establishing the research programme was given to Udir from KD in spring 2024. The research programme for digitalisation and digital competence in nurseries and schools was initiated autumn 2024.

Procedure identifier: 83c1fac1-78ef-4423-8f4d-fbcc54522726

Internal identifier: 2026/6475

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

The procedure is accelerated: no

Main features of the procedure: In spring 2023 the Government and QA launched a joint strategy for digital competence and infrastructure in nurseries and schools (2023-2030)[1] (hereafter; The strategy). The strategy points out that there is a need for more research and knowledge on how digital solutions are used in kindergarten and school and what educational value they provide. There is also a need for knowledge on employees' competence and sharing of digital practices. One of the initiatives in the strategy is "to establish a target orthopaedal research programme on the subject of and on digitalisation and digital competence in the sector". The strategy conveys a desire for the research programme to provide better and more systematic knowledge of good, reliable and appropriate use of digital

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Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73110000 Research services

Additional classification (cpv): 73100000 Research and experimental development services, 73300000 Design and execution of research and development

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

Country: Norway

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 10 000 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Anskaffelsesforskriften - See the procurement documents

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: Procurement Document

5. Lot

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Start date: 28/02/2027
Duration end date: 31/12/2030

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 10 000 000,00 NOK

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

5.1.9. Selection criteria

Sources of selection criteria: Procurement Document

Information about the second stage of a two-stage procedure:

Minimum number of candidates to be invited for the second stage of the procedure: 3
The procedure will take place in successive stages. At each stage, some participants may be eliminated
The buyer reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without any further negotiations

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: Norwegian
Address of the procurement documents: <https://permalink.mercell.com/291535577.aspx>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required
Address for submission: <https://permalink.mercell.com/291535577.aspx>
Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: Norwegian
Electronic catalogue: Not allowed
Advanced or qualified electronic signature or seal (as defined in Regulation (EU) No 910/2014) is required
Variants: Not allowed
Deadline for receipt of requests to participate: 30/10/2026 11:00:00 (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
Electronic invoicing: Required
Electronic ordering will be used: no
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: Oslo tingrett

Information about review deadlines: See the procurement documents

Organisation providing information concerning the general regulatory framework for taxes applicable in the place where the contract is to be performed: Oslo tingrett

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: Oslo tingrett

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Utdanningsdirektoratet

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Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Oslo tingrett

Registration number: 926725939

Town: Oslo

Postcode: 0125

Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

Country: Norway

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

Organisation providing information concerning the general regulatory framework for taxes applicable in the place where the contract is to be performed

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