

**Norway-Oslo: Diving instruments or accessories**  
**OJ S 251/2021 27/12/2021**  
**Contract award notice**  
**Supplies**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

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**Section I: Contracting authority**

**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Oslo kommune v/Brann- og redningsetaten

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Main address: [www.oslo.kommune.no](http://www.oslo.kommune.no)

Address of the buyer profile: <https://eu.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/341775>

**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Other type: Fire Service

**I.5. Main activity**

Other activity: Fire Service

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1. Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1. Title**

Equipment for work under water - rescue diving.

Reference number: 46/2021

**II.1.2. Main CPV code**

37412240 Diving instruments or accessories

**II.1.3. Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4. Short description**

The Oslo Agency for Fire and Rescue Services (OBRE) is responsible for the municipality's fire and accident stand-by services. OBRE is the country's largest fire service, with 490 employees, of which 340 are for pure stand-by related assignments. OBRE has seven fire stations and a harbour station in Oslo, as well as a course and competence centre at

Lahaugmoen. The Oslo Agency for Fire and Rescue Services intends to enter into a contract for equipment for rescue diving with the manufacturer Interspiro. The contract will be signed with Interspiro's representative in Norway, Lexow Safety AS as soon as the voluntary ex-ante transparency notice expires. The potential contract signing date is 01.11.2021.

#### **II.1.6. Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

#### **II.1.7. Total value of the procurement**

Value excluding VAT: 13 500 000,00 NOK

### **II.2. Description**

#### **II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)**

37412200 Scuba and snorkelling gear, 37412230 Scuba regulators, 44611110 Compressed-air cylinders

#### **II.2.3. Place of performance**

NUTS code: NO081 Oslo

#### **II.2.4. Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.2.5. Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

#### **II.2.11. Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

Option for an extension for 2+2 years on the same terms.

#### **II.2.13. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:  
no

#### **II.2.14. Additional information**

### **Section IV: Procedure**

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#### **IV.1. Description**

##### **IV.1.1. Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the directive

Explanation:

Reason for awarding a contract without a prior contest:

The PPR section 13-4 (1), letter b no. 2 states that the contracting authority can make a procurement without a contest if the procurement concerns services that only a specific service provider can provide as 'competition is impossible due to technical reasons'. An account follows as to why OBRE will sign a contract with holding a contest by publishing a voluntary ex-ante transparency notice, cf. section 21-5.

In autumn 2020 OBRE announced a market survey for respiratory protective equipment and pressurised air for diving in water, smoke, and chemicals in Doffin/TED.

The notice encouraged suppliers to register their interest in presenting products connected to OBRE's need.

OBRE only received an enquiry from one supplier, Interspiro.

In addition to publishing an RFI, OBRE has also carried out surveys in the market in order to ensure that the contract is signed in good faith, and to be sure that there are no alternative suppliers that can fulfil the contract. OBRE has not found any other suppliers in these surveys that can offer the products for rescue diving the OBRE needs.

Representatives from OBRE have participated in Interschutz - the world's largest fire and rescue trade fair, made internet searches, asked other fire services, as well as armed forces and diving environments in the hunt for potential suppliers. None of these approaches has resulted in finding other suppliers of rescue diving material.

Suppliers that believe they can deliver equipment for work under water, rescue diving, are encouraged to notify us of this by sending an email to [eva.oynebraten@bre.oslo.kommune.no](mailto:eva.oynebraten@bre.oslo.kommune.no) by the end of the 10 day waiting period, calculated from the day after the date of this notice.

Contract period:

The contract will be signed for 4 years, with an option for 2+2 year extension.

Justification for the contract period:

According to the PPR section 26-1 (4), the contracting authority cannot enter into framework agreements for more than four years unless there are 'special conditions'. 'Special conditions' can, for example, but not exhaustively, be connected to the 'contract's purpose, investment costs, or user's need'.

Due to the conditions stated below, the contracting authority has set a potential contract period for up to 8 years; 4 years with an option for the contracting authority for a further 2+2 years on the same terms.

Interspiro c/o Lexow Safety AS is currently the only supplier that can offer the equipment that OBRE needs, so that the rescue diving service in OBRE can carry out its work in accordance with the regulations on the execution of work, use of work equipment, and the accompanying technical requirements (regulations on the execution of work), chapter 26.

Rescue diving is one of the most risky work assignments that is carried out in the fire and rescue service, and the environment is exclusively under water. Equipment that fulfils Norwegian standards and is in accordance with the relevant law is therefore vital for the crew. For this reason it is also vital that the crew is very familiar with the equipment they use, as when under pressure and in emergency situations, they must have tested, automated methods of operation. Frequent replacement of material will thus increase the probability of dangerous situations, as well as reduce efficiency and safety in emergency and life-saving diving operations.

#### **IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **IV.1.8.**

## Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

### IV.2. Administrative information

#### IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2021/S 183-477460](#)

#### IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

#### IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

## Section V: Award of contract

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**Contract No:** 1

**Title:**

Equipment for work under water - rescue diving.

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

### V.2. Award of contract

#### V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

21/12/2021

#### V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

#### V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Lexow Safety AS

National registration number: Lexow Safety AS

Postal address: Gyldenløves gate 31

Town: Kristiansand

NUTS code: NO092 Agder

Postal code: 4614

Country: Norway

The contractor is an SME: yes

#### V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Total value of the contract/lot: 13 500 000,00 NOK

#### V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

## Section VI: Complementary information

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**VI.3. Additional information**

**VI.4. Procedures for review**

**VI.4.1. Review body**

Official name: Oslo Tingrett

Postal address: C.J. Hambros plass 4

Town: Oslo

Postal code: 0164

Country: Norway

**VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice**

22/12/2021