

679398-2024 - Competition

Norway – Project-management services other than for construction work – Procurement of a framework agreement for consultancy services within project management and design methodology.

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**Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Services**

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Norges vassdrags- og energidirektorat (NVE)

Email: mle@nve.no

Legal type of the buyer: Public undertaking

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Procurement of a framework agreement for consultancy services within project management and design methodology.

Description: NVE would like to enter into a framework agreement for one or two tenderers for assistance with energy consultancy services within 2 sub-areas.

Procedure identifier: 9b57fcac-caf9-4e1b-a92c-8169e967bd6d

Internal identifier: 202417606

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: NVE would like to enter into a framework agreement with one or two tenderers for assistance with energy consultancy services within 2 sub-areas: - Project and programme management, portfolio management, process development and process management - Design methodology and user-centred innovation The contracts shall cover the Contracting Authority's need for competence - which the Contracting Authority does not have access to in their own organisation and/or - when the Contracting Authority needs extra capacity The contract period for the framework agreement is two years plus an option for extension. same terms for 1+1 year, so that the total possible contract period is maximum 4 years from when the contract is signed. A further description of the need for assistance and competence for the two sub areas is described in Annex 1. The procurement's value the framework agreement has a broad scope and the duration is relatively long. There may be call-offs that we do not have an overview of yet, in addition to future budget grants being made which may lead to more call-offs that we cannot predict. We are therefore choosing to set up a maximum total amount of NOK 220 million excluding VAT for the framework agreement in order to see to unforeseen needs for call-offs. Assignments for the framework agreement shall mainly be carried out in NVE's premises in Oslo (Middelthunsgate 29). There can, however, also be a need for work at NVE's regional offices, depending on the nature of the assignment and the local presence requirements. - Tender areas Tenderers are invited to submit tenders for one or several of the sub areas (1 or 2). Tenderers shall complete the annexes for the relevant sub-area that is offered. See annex 1 for a description of the need for assistance and

competence requirements for each sub area. The contracting authority intends to enter into a framework agreement with: 1 tenderer for sub-area Project and programme management, process development and process management and portfolio management - 1 tenderer for sub-area 2 Design methodology and user-centred innovation.

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 79421000 Project-management services other than for construction work

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Norway

Anywhere in the given country

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

Country: Norway

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 220 000 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Anskaffelsesforskriften -

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Analogous situation like bankruptcy under national law: 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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

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, in the event a enforceable verdict has 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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

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 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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Guilty of misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents and obtained confidential information of this procedure: Have the tenderer: a) given grossly incorrect information when notifying the information required to verify that there is no basis for rejection, or of the qualification requirements being met, b) failed to provide such information, c) subject to immediately submitting the supporting documents requested by the Contracting Authority, or d) improperly affecting 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?

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. Will the purely national rejection reasons, as stated in the relevant notice or in the procurement documents, apply?

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: Are tenderers 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?

Guilty of 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.

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 made mandatory in accordance with the current national law without the possibility for exceptions.

Payment of taxes: Has the tenderer not fulfilled his tax and duty obligations in the country in which 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 out 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.

5. Lot

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Country: Norway

5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 48 Months

5.1.5. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 220 000 000,00 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

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: 'Total' annual turnover

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer's ("total") annual turnover for the number of financial years requested in the tender notice or in the procurement documents is as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Average annual turnover

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer's average annual turnover for the number of years requested in the notice or in the procurement documents is as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: "Specific annual turnover"

Description of selection criterion: Are the tenderer's ("specific") annual turnover within the area that the contract applies to and specified in the notice or in the procurement documents for the number of accounting years requested is as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Average set-up

Description of selection criterion: Is the tenderer's average annual turnover within the area requested by the contract and specified in the notice or in the procurement documents for the number of financial years requested:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: The tenderer's establishment date

Description of selection criterion: If the information about the turnover (combined or specific) is not available for the entire requested period, please state the date the company was established, or the tenderers started their business:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Financial key figures

Description of selection criterion: For financial key figures stated in the notice or in the procurement documents, the tenderer declares that the actual value(s) of the requested key figures are as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Liability insurance

Description of selection criterion: The insured amount in the tenderer's liability insurance is the following:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Other economic and financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: Regarding any other economic and financial requirements that have been stated in the notice or in the procurement documents, the tenderer declares that:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Economic and financial standing

Name: Tenderers must have sufficient economic and financial capacity to fulfil the contract. Creditworthiness with no requirement for collateral will be sufficient to meet the requirement.

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers must have sufficient economic and financial capacity to fulfil the contract. Creditworthiness with no requirement for collateral will be sufficient to meet the requirement. Documentation requirement: Credit rating based on the most recent financial figures. The rating shall be carried out by a credit rating company with licence to conduct this service. The contracting authority reserves the right to obtain further credit ratings or other financial information that, but not limited to, annual financial statements including notes, the board's annual reports and auditor's reports. Minimum qualification requirements

Use of this criterion: Used

Criterion:

Type: Other

Name: Certificates issued by independent bodies for quality assurance standards.

Description of selection criterion: Can tenderers submit certificates issued by independent bodies that document that the tenderer fulfils the stated quality assurance standards, including universal design requirements?

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Other

Name: Certificates issued by independent bodies for environmental management standards.

Description of selection criterion: Is the tenderer able to submit certificates issued by independent bodies as documentation that the tenderer fulfils the stated environmental management systems or standards?

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Other

Name: Quality assurance system

Description of selection criterion: A good and well-functioning quality assurance system is required for the services that shall be provided. The concept of a quality management system is i.a. other things that the tenderer has a awareness of, for example, quality objectives, planning, securing, handling deviations and quality improvement. Documentation requirement: An account of the company's quality assurance system. If a tenderer is certified by a public certification body, it is sufficient to enclose a copy of an issued certificate. If a tenderer is not certified, the quality system must be documented, for example, by enclosing a quality handbook that provides a description of the quality management system and how it is implemented in the organisation. Minimum qualification requirements

Use of this criterion: Used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: Registered in a trade register

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers are registered in a professional register in the member state in which the tenderer is established. As described in annex XI of directive 2014

/24/EU; suppliers from certain member states may have to fulfil other requirements in the mentioned annex.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: Registered in a trade register or company register.

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers are registered in a company register or a trade register in the member state in which the tenderer is established. As described in annex XI of directive 2014/24/EU; suppliers from certain member states may have to fulfil other requirements in the mentioned annex.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: In the case of service contracts: Authorisations from a particular organisation required

Description of selection criterion: Is a specific authorisation required from a particular organisation to provide the service in the tenderer's home country?

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: In the case of service contracts: Membership in a particular organisation is required

Description of selection criterion: Is it necessary to have a particular membership in a particular organisation in order to provide the service in the tenderer's home country?

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: The tenderer's registration, authorisations, etc.

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers shall be registered in a company register, professional register or a commerce register in the country where the tenderer is established. Documentation requirement: Norwegian companies: Company Registration Certificate Foreign companies: Verification that the tenderer is registered in a company register, professional register or a commerce register in the country where the tenderer is established.

Use of this criterion: Used

Criterion:

Type: Suitability to pursue the professional activity

Name: Tax Certificate

Description of selection criterion: Norwegian tenderers must have their tax and VAT payments in order. Documentation requirement: Tax certificate, not older than six months.

Use of this criterion: Used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Services only

Description of selection criterion: Only for services: In the reference period, the tenderer has carried out the following important goods deliveries of the requested type, or the following important services of the requested type. The contracting authority can require up to three

years experience and allow experience from the previous three years to be taken into consideration.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Technical personnel or technical units

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers can use the following technical personnel or technical units , particularly those who are responsible for quality control: For technical personnel or technical units that do not directly belong to the tenderer's business, but if the capacity the tenderer will use, cf. part II, section C, separate ESPD forms shall be supplemented.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Technical facilities and quality assurance measures

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer utilises the following technical facilities and quality assurance measures and the tenderer's survey and research facility is as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Investigation and research facilities

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer's survey and research facilities are as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Management and tracing of the supply chain

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer will be able to use the following management of the supply chain and tracing systems for the execution of the contract:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Control Permission

Description of selection criterion: For goods or services that are complicated, or that in exceptional cases shall be used for a particular purpose: Will the tenderer allow checks of the tenderer's production capacity or technical capacity and, where necessary, of the survey and research facilities that the tenderer has at its disposal and of quality control measures? The inspections shall be undertaken by the contracting authority or the contracting authority can leave it to a competent public body in the country where the tenderer is established.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Education and professional qualifications

Description of selection criterion: The following education and professional qualifications are possessed by the tenderer and/or (depending on the requirements set in the notice or in the procurement documents) of the leading employees:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Environmental management measures

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers can employ the following environmental management measures in connection with the execution of the contract:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Number of employees in the management

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer's number of employees in the management during the last three years was as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Average workforce

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer's average annual workforce in the last three years has been as follows:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Tools, materials and technical equipment.

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers can use the following tools, material and technical equipment to carry out the contract:

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Portion of the contract to sub-suppliers.

Description of selection criterion: The tenderer is considering to outsource the following part (as a percentage) of the contract to sub-suppliers. Note that if the tenderer has decided to outsource a part of the contract to sub-suppliers and will use the sub-suppliers' capacity to carry out this part, a special ESPD will be supplemented for such sub-suppliers, see part II, section C, above.

Use of this criterion: Not used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Experience

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers shall have good experience and results from comparable contracts. Both experience, relevance and results will be assessed. Programme and project management, process development and process management and portfolio management. Design methodology and user-centred innovation Documentation requirement:

Completed experience qualification form Description of the tenderer's 3-5 most relevant assignments in the last 3 years for the needs for assistance described in annex 1 SSA-R annex. The references for the relevant sub-area shall as a minimum contain: Principal Short description of the assignment/project's aims, goal achievement and value for the customer. Contact person including contact data. Date of execution Scope of the assignment (hours or contract value) Detailed description of the Tenderer's role and contribution. Tenderers can document their experience by referring to competence of the personnel he has at his disposal and can use this assignment, even if the experience has been worked up while the personnel have served another service provider. Each individual reference shall be at maximum 4 pages on relevant assignments. Minimum qualification requirements

Use of this criterion: Used

Criterion:

Type: Technical and professional ability

Name: Capacity

Description of selection criterion: Tenderers shall have sufficient capacity and competence for the relevant sub-area. Documentation requirement: Completed qualification form capacity An overview of the number of consultants that the Tenderer can use for the offered sub-area.

Capacity from sub-suppliers will be incorporated into the same overview. The number of consultants per sub-area and experience level shall be given. Minimum qualification requirements

Use of this criterion: Used

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Languages in which the procurement documents are officially available: Norwegian

Address of the procurement documents: <https://permalink.mercell.com/240914230.aspx>

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: <https://permalink.mercell.com/240914230.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: 10/12/2024 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:

Framework agreement, without reopening of competition

Information about the dynamic purchasing system:

No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Oslo tingrett

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Norges vassdrags- og energidirektorat (NVE)

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Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

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Internet address: <http://www.nve.no>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Oslo tingrett

Registration number: 926 725 939

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Country: Norway

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Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

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