

681463-2026 - Competition

Norway – Research and development services and related consultancy services – Evaluation of Five Pilot Projects Testing Exemptions from Provisions of the Local Government Act, the Property Tax Act, the General Practitioner Regulations, and Other Regulatory Frameworks
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Contract or concession notice – standard regime
Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development

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Legal type of the buyer: Central government authority

Activity of the contracting authority: General public services

2. Procedure

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Title: Evaluation of Five Pilot Projects Testing Exemptions from Provisions of the Local Government Act, the Property Tax Act, the General Practitioner Regulations, and Other Regulatory Frameworks

Description: In 2023, the Government invited municipalities and county authorities to apply to participate in the Government's pilot scheme for municipalities and county authorities. The scheme allows municipalities to test new ways of carrying out their tasks through exemptions from existing regulations. These pilot projects are based on the Act relating to Experiments in Public Administration of 26 June 1992 (the Experimental Administration Act), hereinafter referred to as the Experimental Administration Act. Further information about the framework of the scheme is available on the Ministry's webpage dedicated to the pilot scheme. This assignment involves evaluating the following five pilot projects: - A pilot project to operate a joint primary healthcare service within an inter-municipal cooperative arrangement involving four municipalities in the Inner Namdal region of Trøndelag (Grong, Lierne, Namsskogan and Røyrvik). - A pilot project in Nordre Follo Municipality aimed at improving dialogue between the municipal administration and elected representatives: Dialogue Phase. - A pilot project in Nordre Follo Municipality aimed at improving dialogue between elected representatives, the administration and residents: Task Forum. - A pilot project in Vestland County Municipality and 18 municipalities in the county concerning host municipality cooperation across local government levels in the fields of services for older persons and closed archives. - A pilot project in Oslo Municipality involving the delegation of decision-making authority in cases concerning the remission or reduction of property tax. Duration and Budget Framework The pilot projects will, as a general rule, run for up to four years from their commencement. The evaluation assignment will cover the entire pilot period and will also include follow-up work in connection with the preparation of the final report. The final report must be submitted no later than 1 November 2030. The contractor may be required to participate in meetings and/or gatherings with the municipalities participating in the pilot scheme, organized by the Norwegian Association of Local and Regional Authorities (KS) and/or the Ministry. The maximum budget for the procurement is NOK 8,000,000, excluding VAT. This amount includes all costs associated with the assignment. Payments will be made upon delivery of agreed

deliverables, cf. Annex 5 to the contract. The procurement is subject to the Norwegian Parliament's approval of the proposed budget. For a more detailed description of the deliverables, please refer to Annex 1 to the contract.

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Internal identifier: 26/2910

Type of procedure: Open

The procedure is accelerated: no

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

Additional classification (cpv): 73110000 Research services, 73200000 Research and development consultancy services, 73210000 Research consultancy services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country: Norway

Anywhere in the given country

2.1.3. Value

Estimated value excluding VAT: 8 000 000,00 NOK

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

2.1.6. Grounds for exclusion

Sources of grounds for exclusion: European Single Procurement Document Request, Notice, Procurement Document

Corruption: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Fraud: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Money laundering or terrorist financing: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Participation in a criminal organisation: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Child labour and including other forms of trafficking in human beings: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of environmental law: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of labour law: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching of obligations in the fields of social law: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Grave professional misconduct: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Misrepresentation, withheld information, unable to provide required documents or obtained confidential information of this procedure: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Conflict of interest due to its participation in the procurement procedure: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Direct or indirect involvement in the preparation of this procurement procedure: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Early termination, damages, or other comparable sanctions: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Lack of reliability to exclude risks to the security of the country: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching of obligations set under purely national exclusion grounds: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching obligation relating to payment of social security contributions: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Breaching obligation relating to payment of taxes: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Business activities are suspended: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Bankruptcy: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Arrangement with creditors: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Insolvency: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Assets being administered by liquidator: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

Analogous situation like bankruptcy, insolvency or arrangement with creditors under national law: In accordance with the public procurement regulations.

5. Lot

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5.1.3. Estimated duration

Duration: 4 Years

5.1.5. Value

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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: European Single Procurement Document Request, Notice, Procurement Document

Criterion: Enrolment in a trade register

Description of selection criterion: Qualification requirement: The supplier must be a legally established entity. Documentation requirement: Norwegian entities: Certificate of registration (Firmaattest) or an extract from the Central Coordinating Register for Legal Entities

(Enhetsregisteret) for sole proprietorships that are not subject to a registration requirement.

Foreign entities: Documentation confirming that the entity is registered in a professional or trade register as prescribed by the legislation of the country in which it is established. Such documentation may be provided in writing or by reference to BRIS (Business Registers Interconnection System).

Criterion: Other economic or financial requirements

Description of selection criterion: Qualification requirement: The supplier must have sufficient economic and financial capacity to perform the contract. A credit rating indicating creditworthiness without any requirement for security or guarantees shall be considered sufficient. Documentation requirement: A credit assessment, including key financial indicators, issued by a reputable credit rating agency, or other documentation demonstrating that the requirement is satisfied. The credit assessment shall include the supplier's credit rating (creditworthiness), typically expressed by a rating code or a brief descriptive text. The

assessment shall include, or be accompanied by, an explanation of the rating code and the applicable rating scale. The assessment should be based on the supplier's most recent annual financial statements.

Criterion: Relevant educational and professional qualifications

Description of selection criterion: Qualification requirement: The supplier must have experience from similar evaluation assignments. For the purposes of this requirement, "similar" means evaluation assignments that have included: - Municipal administration; and - Municipal health and care services.

5.1.11. Procurement documents

Address of the procurement documents: https://eu.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=461511&TID=200421867&B=

5.1.12. Terms of procurement

Terms of submission:

Electronic submission: Required

Address for submission: https://eu.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=461511&TID=200421867&B=

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

Electronic catalogue: Not allowed

Deadline for receipt of tenders: 02/11/2026 11:00:00 (UTC+00:00) Western European Time, GMT

Duration during which the tender must remain valid: 2 027 Years

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 District Court

Information about review deadlines: In accordance with Norwegian law

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Ministry of Local Government and Regional Development

Registration number: 972 417 858

Postal address: Postboks 8112 Dep

Town: Oslo

Postcode: 0032

Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)

Country: Norway

Contact point: Tina Elseth
Email: tina.elseth@dss.dep.no
Telephone: +47 47293670
Internet address: <https://www.regjeringen.no/no/dep/kdd/id504/>
Buyer profile: <https://eu.eu-supply.com/ctm/company/companyinformation/index/328895>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: Oslo District Court
Registration number: 926 725 939
Postal address: Postboks 2106 Vika
Town: Oslo
Postcode: 0125
Country subdivision (NUTS): Oslo (NO081)
Country: Norway
Email: oslo.tingrett@domstol.no
Telephone: +47 22035200
Internet address: <http://www.domstol.no/otir>

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation

Notice information

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