

## 771480-2025 - Direct award preannouncement

Norway – Repair, maintenance and associated services related to marine and other equipment –  
Elly - Shipyards and Thruster  
OJ S 224/2025 20/11/2025  
Voluntary ex-ante transparency notice - Change notice  
Services - Supplies

### 1. Buyer

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#### 1.1. Buyer

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### 2. Procedure

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Title: Elly - Shipyards and Thruster

Description: NTNU and SINTEF shall, in connection with Fjordlab, develop a full-scale test laboratory for research, education, innovation and business. Elly is a fully electric research work vessel, which operates in Trondheimsfjorden. It is dedicated to developing innovation for the maritime environment, where testing of both technology, applications and operations will be work assignments. Elly will be an available sensor platform for students, industry and researchers. Elly will be a subsidy for environmentally friendly propulsion, in accordance with the ambitions of SINTEF and NTNU. Elly must be altered for a new thruster, which also means that GA and the event on board must form the basis. This is particularly complicated as Elly has electric motors which means a battery pack that must be responsible for the main source of power also for the Thruster. It is Skarsvåg boats that sit on the GA and the ship drawings to Elly and they will, therefore, not be possible for other tenderers to carry out this alteration. This is in accordance with the Public Procurement Regulations §13-4 letter 3: The tenderer has the sole right, including intellectual property rights. In this procurement, the shipyard must have close cooperation with the supplier of Thruster. A market survey shows that there is only one supplier who can deliver thrusts in accordance with the requirement specification. The supplier SeaDrive delivers the Thruster that Skarsvåg shall install.

Procedure identifier: 5d423a7d-81a4-47b6-b10e-8a6148fc7849

Internal identifier: ANSK-25-0326

Type of procedure: Negotiated without prior call for competition

##### 2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Additional nature of the contract: Supplies

Main classification (cpv): 50240000 Repair, maintenance and associated services related to marine and other equipment

Additional classification (cpv): 34521000 Specialised boats, 45262700 Building alteration work, 50242000 Conversion services of ships

##### 2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

#### 2.1.4. General information

##### Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

## 5. Lot

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#### 5.1.6. General information

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

#### 5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: Trøndelag Tingrett

## 6. Results

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### Direct award

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Justification for direct award: The contract can be provided only by a particular economic operator because of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Other justification: NTNU and SINTEF shall, in connection with Fjordlab, develop a full-scale test laboratory for research, education, innovation and business. Elly is a fully electric research work vessel, which operates in Trondheimsfjorden. It is dedicated to developing innovation for the maritime environment, where testing of both technology, applications and operations will be work assignments. Elly will be an available sensor platform for students, industry and researchers. Elly will be a subsidy for environmentally friendly propulsion, in accordance with the ambitions of SINTEF and NTNU. Elly must be altered for a new thruster, which also means that GA and the event on board must form the basis. This is particularly complicated as Elly has electric motors which means a battery pack that must be responsible for the main source of power also for the Thruster. It is Skarsvåg boats that sit on the GA and the ship drawings to Elly and they will, therefore, not be possible for other tenderers to carry out this alteration. This is in accordance with the Public Procurement Regulations §13-4 letter 3: The tenderer has the sole right, including intellectual property rights. In this procurement, the shipyard must have close cooperation with the supplier of Thruster. A market survey shows that there is only one supplier who can deliver thrusts in accordance with the requirement specification. The supplier SeaDrive delivers the Thruster that Skarsvåg shall install.

#### **6.1. Result lot identifier: LOT-0000**

##### **6.1.2. Information about winners**

**Winner:**

Official name: SKARSVÅG BOATS AS

**Tender:**

Tender identifier: Elly - Verft og Thruster

Identifier of lot or group of lots: LOT-0000

**Contract information:**

Identifier of the contract: ANSK-25-0326

## **8. Organisations**

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### **8.1. ORG-0001**

Official name: NTNU

Registration number: 974767880

Department: Seksjon for anskaffelser og innkjøp

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Town: Trondheim

Postcode: 7491

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

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**Roles of this organisation:**

Buyer

### **8.1. ORG-0002**

Official name: Trøndelag Tingrett

Registration number: 926 722 794

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Town: Trondheim

Postcode: 7004

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

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**Roles of this organisation:**

Review organisation

**8.1. ORG-0003**

Official name: SKARSVÅG BOATS AS

Size of the economic operator: Medium

Registration number: 915518451

Town: Knarrlagsund

Postcode: 7242

Country subdivision (NUTS): Trøndelag/Tröndelage (NO060)

Country: Norway

**Roles of this organisation:**

Tenderer

**Winner of these lots: LOT-0000**

**The winner is listed on a regulated market**

## 10. Change

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Version of the previous notice to be changed

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Main reason for change

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Information updated

Description

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An error in the description of this procurement in English. This is the correct text: NTNU and SINTEF, as part of the Fjordlab initiative, are establishing a full-scale test laboratory to support research, education, innovation, and industry. A key component of this effort is Elly, a fully electric research workboat operating in the Trondheim Fjord. Elly is dedicated to fostering maritime innovation through the testing of technologies, applications, and operational concepts. The vessel will serve as an accessible sensor platform for students, industry partners, and researchers. The overarching ambition is for Elly to contribute to sustainable propulsion solutions, in alignment with the strategic objectives of SINTEF and NTNU. This contract encompasses the conversion of Elly, including the procurement and installation of one or more thrusters. The selected solution must be fully compatible with the vessel's existing systems. Elly shall be capable of performing Dynamic Positioning (DP), and the installed systems must be designed for integration into the planned autonomy package, which includes remote operation capabilities. Given that Elly is an electric vessel equipped with four main battery packs and limited available space, the project will require structural modifications. The thruster solution must be integrated with the current propulsion system, necessitating reinforcement of the aluminum hull at the installation site. Furthermore, the thruster must be retractable into the hull during normal operations. To complete the installation, it will likely be necessary to remove the existing battery pack, which in turn requires lifting the motor located

ahead of the batteries. Close collaboration with Evoy—the supplier of the electric propulsion system and battery packs—is therefore essential. Upon completion of the conversion and installation, updated vessel drawings and stability calculations will be required. The current drawings, produced by Skarsvaag Boats, are subject to their intellectual property rights. Elly is also equipped with a tunnel thruster, which must be integrated with the new thruster solution. Integration with other onboard technologies will be achieved via NMEA 2000 and the CAN network. The estimated delivery time is 12 weeks from the date of order. The contract includes all elements related to the conversion and/or modification of the vessel, its equipment, and systems—both hardware and software—necessary to ensure the thruster solution functions as intended. The vessel must comply with all applicable class requirements following the conversion. The contract must meet the specifications provided by NTNU. As Skarsvaag Boats holds exclusive rights to Elly’s current drawings, it is not feasible for any other supplier to execute this contract. Accordingly, the contract satisfies the conditions set forth in FOA §13-4 for procurement without competition: Letter (b): The procurement concerns services that can only be provided by a specific supplier due to exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights.

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Section identifier: PROCEDURE

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