

Finland-Helsinki: Access to SciFinder Database in 2024
OJ S 247/2023 22/12/2023
Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)

Postal address: P.O.Box 400

Town: Helsinki

NUTS code: FI1B1 Helsinki-Uusimaa

Postal code: FI-00121

Country: Finland

E-mail: procurement@echa.europa.eu

Telephone: +358 9686180

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://echa.europa.eu/about-us/procurement>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://echa.europa.eu/about-us/procurement>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5. Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Access to SciFinder Database in 2024

Reference number: ECHA/2023/430

II.1.2. Main CPV code

73000000 Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Subscription of ECHA for 2024 to the SciFinder database, through which the Agency has access to CAS numbers that are essential to identify the chemical substances. The CAS number provides a unique, unmistakable identifier for chemical substances.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 212 000,00 EUR

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: FI Suomi / Finland

Main site or place of performance: ECHA's and contractor's site.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The justification for establishing a contract with CAS for the SciFinder database is based on Point 11.1.b) of Annex 1 to the 2018 EU Financial Regulation. The negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice, regardless of the contract value, can be used: where the works, supplies or services can only be provided by a particular economic operator for technical or artistic reasons, or for reasons connected with the protection of exclusive rights.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Price

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

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

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 works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

ECHA is responsible for the coordination of the implementation of the chemicals legislation in Europe, which includes the registration of chemicals substances. CAS SciFinder is the database that ECHA needs to deliver its tasks under REACH, which requires 'registrants to include the CAS name and number for their substance if available in their registration dossier'. Based on exclusive rights, only CAS can issue a licence to the SciFinder database.

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

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2. Administrative information

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

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: ECHA/2023/430

Title:

Access to SciFinder Database 2024

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

15/12/2023

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: American Chemical Society (ACS)

Postal address: 2540 Olentangy River Road

Town: Columbus

NUTS code: US United States

Postal code: 43202

Country: United States

E-mail: service@acs.org

Internet address: <https://www.acs.org/>

The contractor is an SME: no

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

Total value of the contract/lot: 232 520,00 USD

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: General Court of the European Union

Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald

Town: Luxembourg

Postal code: L-2925

Country: Luxembourg

E-mail: GeneralCourt.Registry@curia.europa.eu

Telephone: +352 4303-1

Fax: +358 4303-2100

Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

You may submit any observations concerning the award procedure to the contracting authority indicated under Heading I.1). If you believe that there was maladministration, you may lodge a complaint to the European Ombudsman within 2 years of the date when you became aware of the facts on which the complaint is based (see <http://www.ombudsman.europa.eu>). Such complaint does not have as an effect either to suspend the time limit to launch an appeal or to open a new period for lodging an appeal. Within 2 months of the notification of the award decision you may lodge an appeal to the body referred to in VI.4.1).

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

15/12/2023