ECB - planning and consultancy services for health and safety coordination for the new ECB premises (D-Frankfurt-on-Main)

2006/S 84-088277

Contract notice

Is this contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)? Yes.

Section I: Contracting authority

 I.1) Official name and address of the contracting authority: European Central Bank, attn: Mr Alberto Molon, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Fax (49-69) 13 44 75 03. E-mail: <u>new_ecb_premises-procurement@ecb.int</u>. URL: <u>www.ecb.int</u>.

Address from which further information can be obtained:

European Central Bank, attn: Mr Alberto Molon, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. URL: <u>www.new-ecb-premises.com</u>.

Further information (question and answer) is provided in a forum at the above-mentioned address.

I.3) Address from which documentation may be obtained:

European Central Bank, attn: Mr Alberto Molon, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. URL: <u>www.new-ecb-premises.com</u>.

The application form is available for download from a forum at the above mentioned address. All applications must be submitted using the application form prepared by the ECB in accordance with the instructions.

I.4)Address to which tenders/requests to participate must be sent:
As in I.1.

1.5) **Type of contracting authority:**

EU institution.

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no.

Section II: Object of the contract

- II.1) Description
- II.1.1) Type of works contract
- II.1.2) Type of supplies contract
- II.1.3) **Type of service contract** Service category 12.
- II.1.4) Is it a framework agreement? No.

The notice involves: a public contract.

II.1.5) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Planning and consultancy services for health and safety coordination for the New ECB Premises.

'(Sicherheits- und Gesundheitskoordinator)'.

II.1.6) Description/object of the contract:

The European Central Bank (ECB) is planning to construct its new premises on a site of approximately 120 000 m² in D-Frankfurt-on-Main. In addition to the architect's services (architectural planning, structural engineering and an energy design concept), the ECB needs to establish a planning team and intends to award a contract on planning and consultancy services for health and safety coordination according to the German Construction Regulation ('Baustellenverordnung') for the New ECB Premises in a negotiated tender procedure.

II.1.7) Site or location of works, place of delivery or performance: On the Großmarkthalle site in the eastern part of D-Frankfurt-on-Main. NUTS code: DE 712.

II.1.8) Nomenclature

II.1.8.1) Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV): 74231720, 74231721, 74231800, 74232000.

II.1.8.2) Other relevant nomenclature (CPA/NACE/CPC)

II.1.9) **Division into lots:**

No.

II.1.10) Will variants be accepted:

Yes.

Alternative offers will only be accepted in addition to a main offer which meets all the requirements requested in the tender documentation. Alternative offers will only be considered in the evaluation if the alternative solution(s) is/are equal to or of higher merit than the main offer. The burden of proof regarding the equality of the alternative offers shall be on the tenderer.

II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:

The successful applicants will have to set up an appropriate organisation for health and safety coordination (including establishing a health and safety plan) and will be responsible for its implementation.

II.2.2) Options. Description and time when they may be exercised:

The initial contract will comprise services for the planning phase (detailed and approval planning). The ECB will have the option to extend it to the execution planning, tendering and construction phases.

II.3) Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:

The detailed planning phase is scheduled to start at the earliest in October 2006 with an estimated duration of 17 months until a building permit for the project is issued. The completion of the project is estimated for 2011.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:

Details may be provided in the invitation to tender (ITT), which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

III.1.2) Main terms of financing and payment and/or reference to the relevant provisions:Details may be provided in the invitation to tender (ITT), which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the grouping of suppliers, contractors or service providers to whom the

contract is awarded:

Temporary groupings of companies with a view to obtaining a contract to perform services may be established under the conditions set out in the application form.

III.2) Conditions for participation

III.2.1) Information concerning the personal situation of the contractor, supplier or service provider and information and formalities necessary for the evaluation of the minimum economic, financial and technical capacity required:

All applications must be submitted using the application form prepared by the ECB in accordance with the instructions. The application form can be obtained from the address indicated above (I.3). This application and its tender clauses shall be considered as part of the tender documentation.

To be admitted to participate in the tender procedure companies or organisations have to fulfil the qualifying criteria listed below:

(1.1) Our business has adequate human and technical resources to manage a project of this type.

(1.2) We have the qualifications, knowledge and language skills required to perform the requested services. As a minimum 3 key staff members must fulfil these requirements.

(1.3) Our company/member(s) of a temporary grouping was/were responsible during the last 7 years for at least 2 comparable projects in which comparable and completed services were provided (provision of services must be completed at the latest by the date of the request to participate) in terms of health and safety coordination. In this context, the comparability of the project is measured in terms of size, quality and complexity.

This includes at least 1 high-rise building with over 30 000 m^2 total gross floor area and 1 project with over 75 000 m^2 total gross floor area.

In case the application is submitted with a sub-contractor, references may be provided from the sub-contractor for the services or parts of the services applying for.

(1.4) Our accumulated fee income over the past 3 years was at least EUR 1 100 000 excluding VAT. For temporary groupings the same threshold applies and in addition, at least 1 member of the grouping must have had a minimum accumulated fee income of EUR 700 000 excluding VAT over the past 3 years.

(1.5) We are neither bankrupt nor subject to insolvency proceedings, nor are such proceedings against us due to be commenced.

(1.6) We comply with all obligations in relation to the payment of:

(1) social security contributions, and

(2) taxes, pursuant to the laws of the country in which we are established.

(1.7) If awarded the contract, we will comply with the requirement to maintain a continuous office presence on site during the planning and construction phase (office provided by the ECB), to the extent the ECB considers this necessary.

(1.8) We are aware of the fact that if we are awarded the contract, companies belonging to our group of companies or companies hold by our shareholders may be excluded from subsequent tenders for construction works. We indicate hereby all such companies whose main business purpose is construction works.

(1.9) We are qualified to practise and listed in a commercial register (e.g. the German 'Handelsregister').

(1.10) We comply with applicable anti-corruption regulations.

(1.11) We have not been convicted of an offence concerning professional conduct by a judgment which has the force of 'res judicata'.

Applicants must provide all documents necessary to prove full compliance with the requirements stated in

1.1–1.11 by submitting them as attachments to the application form. Any failure to comply with one of the qualifying criteria will entail the applicant's exclusion from the tender procedure.

III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1) Is provision of the service reserved to a specific profession?

Yes.

Natural persons, who on the date of dispatch of this notice bear an occupational title as 'architect', 'engineer' or 'consulting engineer' according to the Directives 89/48/EEC and 85/384/EEC, pursuant to the legal provisions of the country in which they are established.

III.3.2) Will legal entities be required to state the names and professional qualifications of the personnel responsible for execution of the contract?

Yes.

Section IV: Procedure

- IV.1) **Type of procedure:** Negotiated.
- IV.1.1) Have candidates already been selected? No.
- IV.1.2) Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure: Not applicable.
- IV.1.3) **Previous publication concerning the same contract:** Not applicable.
- IV.1.3.1) Prior information notice concerning the same contract:
 - Not applicable.

IV.1.3.2) Other previous publications

IV.1.4) Envisaged number of suppliers which will be invited to tender:

Minimum 3.

The selection criteria are as follows:

(a) the applicant's capacity to carry out a project of this size in terms of technical and human resources;

(b) the applicant's experience and expertise, assessed on the basis of the reference information on comparable projects in terms of size, quality and complexity, in which comparable services were provided (provision of services must be completed at the latest by the date of the request to participate).

IV.1.5) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue:

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated: yes.

IV.2.1) Award criteria:

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of criteria as stated below:

- 1. quality of the services provided (50 %);
- 2. financial terms (45 %);
- 3. compliance with the contractual terms and conditions offered by the ECB (5 %).

IV.2.2)	An electronic auction will be used:
	No.

IV.3) Administrative information

- IV.3.1) Reference number attributed to the file by the contracting authority: Tender 048.
- IV.3.2) Conditions for obtaining contract document and additional documents: Obtainable until: 23.5.2006.
- IV.3.3) Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate: 23.5.2006 (12:00), CET.
- Dispatch of invitations to tender to selected candidates: IV.3.4) Estimated date: 10.7.2006.
- IV.3.5) Language or languages in which tenders or requests to participate can be drawn up: English.
- IV.3.6) Minimum time-frame during which the tenderer must maintain its tender
- Conditions for opening tenders IV.3.7)
- IV.3.7.1) Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: Not applicable.
- IV.3.7.2) Date, time and place for opening of tenders: Place: at ECB premises.

Section VI: Other information

- VI.1) Is this notice a non-mandatory one? No.
- VI.2) If applicable, indicate whether this procurement is a recurrent one and the estimated timing for further notices to be published Not applicable.
- VI.3) Does the contract relate to a project/programme financed by EU funds? No.

VI.4) Additional information

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to submit a detailed offer. After the dispatch of the offer they may be invited to present their proposals and designated team to the ECB. All presentations and negotiations with the ECB will be conducted in English and German as the project will be managed in English and German.

- VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: 21.4.2006.
- VI.6.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures: European Central Bank, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Fax (49-69) 13 44 75 03. E-mail: procurement@ecb.int. URL: www.ecb.int.
- VI.6.2) Lodging of appeals:

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Two weeks after dispatch of rejection letters to non-successful candidates.

VI.6.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained:

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