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# D-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - provision of a new network and related services for the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) and other companies — 20857/IS/2011 2012/S 44-070821

#### **Contract notice**

#### **Services**

#### Directive 2004/18/EC

#### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### 1.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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General address of the contracting authority: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

Further information can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to: The above mentioned contact point(s)

#### 1.2) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

#### 1.3) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

# 1.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

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

# Section II: Object of the contract

#### II.1) Description

#### II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Provision of a new network and related services for the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) and other companies — 20857/IS/2011.

#### II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance

Services

Service category No 5: Telecommunications services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: All 27 EU Member States plus Canada, Croatia, Norway, Switzerland and the United States of America. Further countries may need to be served during the contract lifetime based on the needs of the ESCB.

**NUTS** code

# II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

The notice involves a public contract

#### II.1.4) Information on framework agreement

#### II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Contracting the design, implementation and operation of a new network and related services for the European System of Central Banks (ESCB) and other companies according to the description in the call for application document (Section 1) and specifications which will be sent to the candidates invited to the second stage of the tender.

#### II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

72720000

#### II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

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

# II.1.8) Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

#### II.1.9) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

# II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

#### II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:

#### II.2.2) Information about options

Options: yes

Description of these options: Possibility of extension of the contract.

#### II.2.3) Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 84 (from the award of the contract)

#### Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

#### III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

# III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:

No deposit is required, but where applicable, the successful tenderer (or in the case of a successful consortium bid, each member of the consortium) may be required to provide a parent company guarantee.

# III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:

#### III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:

# III.1.4) Other particular conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

#### III.2) Conditions for participation

# III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Those requested in the call for application.

#### III.2.2) Economic and financial ability

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Those requested in the call for application.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Those requested in the call for application.

#### III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

Those requested in the call for application.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Those requested in the call for application.

#### III.2.4) Information about reserved contracts

#### III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts

#### III.3.1) Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

#### III.3.2) Staff responsible for the execution of the service

Legal persons should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service: yes

#### **Section IV: Procedure**

# IV.1) Type of procedure

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Negotiated

Some candidates have already been selected (if appropriate under certain types of negotiated procedures)

# IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate

Envisaged minimum number 3: and maximum number 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: The candidate's general capacity to carry out the requested services in terms of economic, financial, technical and professional capacity (as outlined in the Section 3.4 of the call for application).

# IV.1.3) 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) Award criteria

# IV.2.1) Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

#### IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

#### IV.3) Administrative information

#### IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:

20857/IS/2011. Provision of a new network and related services for the ESCB and other companies.

# IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract

no

# IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Payable documents: no

#### IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

2.4.2012

#### IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

# IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up

English.

Other: Applications shall be submitted in English. Information on reference projects and relating information shall be submitted in English. External supporting documents, for example company registrations and certificates, may be submitted in their original language. The ECB may request the candidate to provide a certified translation.

#### IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

#### IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders

#### **Section VI: Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### VI.2) Information about European Union funds

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

# VI.3) Additional information

Companies interested in taking part in this tender procedure are required to:

— download the call for applications and the application form from the following Internet site using the 'User ID' and 'Password' indicated below:

https://www.ecb.europa.eu/secure/procurement/

User ID: 20857/DG/IS/2011

Password: 9645A0

Please note that you must register before downloading the documentation and that registration on the website is not synonymous with applying; application forms need to be filled in and submitted to the ECB.

The tender procedure is conducted in accordance with Decision ECB/2007/5 of 3.7.2007 laying down the rules on procurement (OJ L 184, 14.7.2007, p. 34) as amended by Decision ECB/2009/2 (OJ L 51, 24.2.2009, p. 10) and Decision ECB/2010/8 (OJ L 238, 9.9.2010, p. 14), all published on http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/tenders/html/index.en.html

# VI.4) Procedures for appeal

# VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank

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#### VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: 15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 28(3) of the ECB procurement rules (see Section VI.3) or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers.

Further requirements are outlined in Article 33 of the ECB procurement rules (see Section VI.3).

The complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the submission deadline nor does it create a new deadline by which complaints can be submitted.

- VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained
- VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

22.2.2012