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Germany-Frankfurt am Main: ECB - Provision of Software Testing 2019/S 232-568030

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

1.1) Name and addresses

Official name: European Central Bank Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22

Town: Frankfurt am Main NUTS code: DE712 Postal code: 60314 Country: Germany

Contact person: Central Procurement Office

E-mail: procurement@ecb.europa.eu

Telephone: +49 69/13440 Fax: +49 69/13447110 Internet address(es):

Main address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

1.2) Information about joint procurement

1.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: https://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

1.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

1.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Provision of Software Testing
Reference number: PRO-004802

II.1.2) Main CPV code

72000000 - JA02

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The ECB is seeking suppliers to provide the software testing services.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 54 000 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) Description

II.2.1) **Title:**

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

72000000 72260000

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: DE712

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

The contractors shall upon the ECB's request provide software testing services. The services and works requested enable the ECB to source application testing services covering the entire test process or parts of it. The services and works include the actual delivery services, and transversal services related to the delivery services. The services are the outcome of the call-offs during the framework agreement. These services will be requested with the technical specifications in each call-off for a specific agreement under this framework agreement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50 %

Price - Weighting: 50 %

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 54 000 000.00 EUR

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The contract could be extended at the option of the ECB. In any event, the total duration of the contract shall not exceed 84 months.

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: no

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

II.2.13) Information about European Union funds

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

Supplement to the Official Journal of the European Union

II.2.14) Additional information

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Average total turnover for the financial years 2016-2018

Average turnover with services described in the call for applications for the financial years 2016-2018 Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Average total turnover for the financial years $2016-2018 - 10\,000\,000\,EUR$.

Average turnover with services described in the call for applications for the financial years 2016-2018 - 3000 $000 \, \text{EUR}$

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

An average number of staff at your company 2016-2018

Average number of staff responsible for services described in the call for applications 2016-2018 Reference contracts performed during the past 4 years which are comparable in terms of scope, size and complexity with scope of the tendered services.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

An average number of staff at your company 2016-2018 — 100

Average number of staff responsible for services described in the call for applications 2016-2018 — 25 Reference contracts performed during the past 4 years which are comparable in terms of scope, size and complexity with scope of the tendered services — 3.

III.1.5) Information about reserved contracts

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.1) Information about a particular profession

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions:

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 3

IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

- IV.2) Administrative information
- IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure
- IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 17/01/2020 Local time: 11:30

- IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates
- IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted: English
- IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender
- IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

- VI.2) Information about electronic workflows
- VI.3) Additional information:

The tender procedure is conducted via the ECB's electronic tendering system (e-tendering) which can be accessed via the following internet address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html If you have not used the ECB's electronic tendering system before, you need to register via the above link (click on 'Register'). Subsequently to the registration, you will receive an automated notification with your user Credentials to log in (click on 'Login') and to access the tender documentation. Please note that:

— a registration to the above system is only required once and you can reuse your user credentials in all future procedures of the ECB which are conducted via the above system. Therefore, please keep your user credentials for the future.

In case you should have participated in previous ECB tender procedure(s) in the past which were conducted via the ECB's prior online system, you nevertheless need to register once to the ECB's electronic tendering system under the above address,

— your mere registration does not constitute an application/tender. You must submit your application/tender via the ECB's electronic tendering system as further instructed in the application/tender documentation.

The system reference number for the tender procedure is: RFX-PT-2019-000035

To download the tender documents, log on to the ECB's electronic tendering system with your login and password. Expand the field 'Public Tenders — Upcoming Events'. Click on 'Click to request an invitation to this event' for the above procedure and close the new window which opens. Once the request is completed (this can take a few minutes), the status of the participation request will change to 'Invited' and the RFx Documentation will be accessible via the RFx tab.

Under the above link you also find user guides for detailed information on how to use the system and contact details for technical support.

Should you require technical help when using the system, please contact the ECB's technical support team at sourcing.support@ecb.europa.eu by quoting the reference number and the problem experienced.

Any other queries relating to this procurement procedure and the content of the procurement documentation shall be submitted as message via the ECB's e-tendering system (under the tab 'Discussion').

The ECB endeavors to answer all queries as quickly as possible but cannot guarantee a minimum time response. The ECB shall not be bound to reply to queries received less than seven calendar days before the time-limit for the submission of tenders.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Official name: Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team

Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22

Town: Frankfurt am Main Postal code: 60314 Country: Germany Telephone: +49 6913440 Fax: +49 6913446886

Internet address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: The European Ombudsman

Postal address: 1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403

Town: Strasbourg Cedex Postal code: 67001 Country: France

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 34(3) of ECB Decision 2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers. Further requirements are outlined in Article 39 of this Decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

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

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VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

20/11/2019