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Belgium-Brussels: Exercises on civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams and European Union civil protection teams 2014/S 137-245132

Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

European Commission, Directorate-General for Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection (ECHO) L-86

1049 Brussels

BELGIUM

E-mail: echo-civil-protection-tenders@ec.europa.eu

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: http://ec.europa.eu/echo/en/funding-evaluations/public-procurement/calls-for-tender

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

I.3) Main activity

Other: Civil protection.

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: Exercises on civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams and European Union civil protection teams.
- II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance Services Service category No 27: Other services 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)

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The purpose of this call for tender is to design, plan, conduct and evaluate specific exercises for civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST) and European Union civil protection teams (EUCPT) nominated by the participating States of the Union civil protection mechanism and deployable in civil protection missions under the mechanism, in accordance with Articles 3 and 4 of the Decision No 1313/2013/EU of 17.12.2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council on a Union civil protection mechanism. The overall objective for the first 4 lots of this call for tender is to define a base scenario of an international deployment for exercises for the personnel and equipment of registered civil protection modules/TAST and EUCPT. On the basis of this scenario the objective is to design, plan, conduct and evaluate specific exercises for civil protection modules, TAST, and EUCPT in civil protection. Specific exercise needs are, among others, the effective work in an international environment (including international guidelines), achieving high levels of interoperability, self-sufficiency, establishing effective communication systems, as well as fostering exchanges of information about equipment and performing command structures. Lessons learnt from the exercises shall be immediately integrated into the subsequent exercises. All exercises shall enhance the operational cooperation between the participating States' modules, TAST, as well as the EUCPT and also test the coordination of EU civil protection assistance in accordance with rules and regulations. The exchange of information of different equipment and of information of command structures and communication tools is also important. Moreover, the exercises need to recreate conditions of the international environment of mechanism interventions, including the interaction of modules, TAST, EUCPT with humanitarian and other relevant international actors.

- II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000
- 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: yes Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

- 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:

The contract duration is 30 months and is non-renewable for the 5 lots. The maximum allocated budget for lot 1 is 480 000 EUR, for lot 2 is 680 000 EUR, for lot 3 and lot 4 is 1 210 000 EUR, and for lot 5 is 220 000 EUR. Total amount is 3 800 000 EUR.

Estimated value excluding VAT: 3 800 000 EUR

- II.2.2) Information about options Options: no
- 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: 30 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and evaluate 5 tabletop exercises for key personnel of civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST) as well as experts of a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design a base scenario for a tabletop exercise for key personnel of civil protection modules, TAST as well as a EUCPT and then plan and conduct 5 exercises on the basis of the designed model. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of a maximum of 26 participants (consisting of 20 key personnel of modules, 2 key personnel of TAST or at least TAST trained plus 4 Union mechanism trained experts to establish an onsite coordination hub as part of the exercise). Each exercise shall last 2 and a half days (travel time excluded). The exercises shall be conducted during the period September 2015 to June 2016. The actual dates must be approved by the Commission.

- 2) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000
- 3) Quantity or scope Estimated value excluding VAT: 480 000 EUR
- 4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion in days: 30 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and evaluate 3 exercises for high-capacity pumping, water purification, CBRN detection and sampling, technical assistance and support team (TAST) and experts of a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design the base scenario for a functional exercise and then plan and conduct 3 exercises on this basis. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of participation of at least 3 civil protection modules from different participating States. This can be a different combination chosen from high capacity pumping, water purification, CBRN detection and sampling modules and 1 TAST from different participating states as well as a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT) of 5 experts to establish an on-site operation and coordination centre. Participation of modules shall be confirmed by participating States (contract or letter of intent). Each exercise shall last 4 days (including arrival and departure times). The exercises shall be conducted during the period September 2015 to June 2016. The actual dates must be approved by the Commission.

- 2) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000
- 3) Quantity or scope Estimated value excluding VAT: 680 000 EUR
- 4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion Duration in months: 30 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and evaluate 3 exercises for medium/heavy urban search and rescue (USAR), USAR in CBRN conditions (CBRNUSAR), technical assistance and support team (TAST) and experts of a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design a base scenario of a functional exercise and then plan and conduct 3 exercises on this basis. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of participation of at least 3 USAR and 1 TAST from different participating States as well as a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT) of 5 experts to establish an on-site operation and coordination centre. Participation of modules shall be confirmed by participating States (contract or letter of intent). Each exercise shall last 4 days (including arrival and departure times). The exercises shall be conducted during the period September 2015 to June 2016. The actual dates must be approved by the Commission.

2) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000

3) Quantity or scope Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 210 000 EUR 4) Indication about different date for duration of coll

4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion Duration in months: 30 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 4

Lot title: Design, plan, conduct and evaluate 3 exercises for medium/heavy urban search and rescue (USAR), advanced medical post with or without surgery (AMP/S), technical assistance and support team (TAST) and experts of a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design a base scenario of a functional exercise and then plan and conduct 3 exercises on this basis. Each of the exercises shall have a capacity of participation of at least 3 USAR and/or AMP/S and 1 TAST from different participating States as well as a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT) of 5 experts to establish an on-site operation and coordination centre. 1 of the exercises shall be only for AMP/ S modules, TAST and EUCPT. Participation of modules shall be confirmed by participating States (contract or letter of intent). Each exercise shall last 4 days (including arrival and departure times). The exercises shall be conducted during the period September 2015 to June 2016. The actual dates must be approved by the Commission.

- 2) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000
- 3) Quantity or scope Estimated value excluding VAT: 1 210 000 EUR
- 4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion Duration in months: 30 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 5

Lot title: Design, plan and conduct an evaluation for the Union civil protection modules exercises organised by the other contractors of the 4 lots of this tender. There will be 5 tabletop exercises and 9 field exercises for key personnel of civil protection modules, technical assistance and support teams (TAST) as well as experts of a European Union Civil Protection Team (EUCPT)

1) Short description

The contractor shall design an evaluation process for tabletop and field exercises and then participate in and evaluate 14 exercises (5 tabletop exercises and 9 field exercises) on this basis. Minimum amount of the evaluators is 2 for tabletop exercises and 4 for field exercises. The exercises shall be conducted during the period September 2015 to June 2016.

2) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV) 80560000

3) **Quantity or scope**

Estimated value excluding VAT: 220 000 EUR

4) Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion Duration in months: 30 (from the award of the contract)

5) Additional information about lots

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:

The contractor may be required to provide a guarantee for the amount of the pre-financing equivalent to 20 % of the amount specified under I.3.1 of the contract, in compliance with Article I.4 of the draft contract. The Commission reserves the right to cancel the pre-financing foreseen, according to its management risk analysis or in the case that the awarded tenderer refuses such a pre-financing guarantee, and to modify the final version of the contract accordingly.

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

The contracts will be paid on a lump sum basis.

The payment scheme will consist of:

- pre-financing of 20 % of the total amount of the contract,
- 2 interim payments of 30 % of the total amount of the contract,
- a final payment of 20 % of the total amount of the contract.

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded: Consortia of economic operators are explicitly authorised to submit tenders. The Commission will not demand the consortia to take a given legal form in order to be allowed to submit a tender or request to take part, but the consortium may be required to adopt a given legal form after it has been awarded the contract, if this change is necessary for the proper performance of the contract.

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: Proof that the tenderers are authorised to perform the contract under national law, as evidenced by inclusion in a professional or trade register or a sworn declaration or certificate, membership of a specific organisation, express authorisation, or entry in the VAT register.

III.2.2) Economic and financial ability

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Please refer to tender specifications.

III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Please refer to tender specifications.

III.2.4) Information about reserved contracts

III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1) Information about a particular profession

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	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			
IV.1.1)	Type of procedure Open			
IV.1.2)	Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate			
IV.1.3)	Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue			
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: ECHO/B1/SER/2014/03.			
IV.3.2)	Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract Prior information notice			
	Notice number in the OJEU: 2014/S 38-061902 of 22.2.2014			
IV.3.3)	Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 13.9.2014 - 17:00 Payable documents: no			
IV.3.4)	Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate			
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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 Any EU official language			
IV.3.7)	Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender Duration in months: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)			
IV.3.8)	Conditions for opening of tenders Date: 29.9.2014 - 10:00 Place: rue de la Loi 86, 1040 Brussels, BELGIUM. Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes Additional information about authorised persons and opening procedure: Not more than 1 representative per tenderer (with proof of identity). The name of the representative must be communicated to the contact point by e-mail no later than 2 working days before the opening session.			
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Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

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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: yes Reference to project(s) and/or programme(s): Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17.12.2013.

VI.3) Additional information

New services consisting of the repetition of similar services may be requested.

VI.4) Procedures for appeal

VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures

General Court of the European Union rue du Fort Niedergrünewald 2925 Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu Telephone: +352 4303-1 Internet address: http://curia.europa.eu Fax: +352 4303-2100

VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff, or, in the absence thereof, of the day on which it came to knowledge of the plaintiff. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have an effect either to suspend this period or to open a new period for lodging appeals.

VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained

General Court of the European Union Luxembourg LUXEMBOURG

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

9.7.2014