



**SUBJECT: PROVISION OF CONTAINERS AND MOBILE OFFICES AND ASSOCIATED SERVICES FOR THE EUROPEAN ASYLUM SUPPORT OFFICE**

**PRELIMINARY MARKET CONSULTATION NOTICE**

**1. Purpose**

The purpose of this Preliminary Market Consultation (PMC) is to conduct a **preliminary market research on the provision of various mobile offices and other types of containers (and related services) that might be needed by European Asylum Support Office (EASO) for its operations.**

Any information received in response to this PMC will assist EASO in preparation of procurement documents for any future call(s) for tenders, such as determination of scope and requirements of the contracts as well as other requirements such as budget consideration and selection criteria.

Participation by economic operators in this PMC is on a voluntary basis. Participation or non-participation of economic operators in this PMC does not affect in any way the right of an economic operator to participate in any related subsequent calls for tenders organised by EASO. Submitting a response to this PMC is not a guarantee in any way that an economic operator will be selected for any subsequent call for tenders or awarded the relevant contracts, nor does it preclude any economic operator from participating to future procurement opportunities.

The information on the tender procedure provided with this document is only preliminary and only for the purpose of this PMC. The issuance of this PMC does not constitute a commitment on the side of EASO to issue any call for tenders or award any related contract or pay any costs of economic operators incurred in preparation/submission of a response/participation to this consultation.

If considered appropriate by EASO, EASO may contact economic operators known to it (including also the ones responding to this PMC) directly in order to obtain relevant and sufficient information on the basis of this PMC notice and the published questionnaire. EASO may also invite economic operators known to it to the remote online meeting indicated in the Section 3(b) below.

In case of any change to this PMC notice and/or the connected questionnaire, a corrigendum would be published on the EASO website <https://easo.europa.eu/about-us/procurement>, thus economic operators are advised to regularly check the website mentioned until the dates currently in force (regulated by the Section 3 of this PMC notice). The economic operators who will have responded to this PMC by the time any corrigendum is published will also be informed about it.

## 2. Description of needs

### A. Supplies and related services

EASO was established by [Regulation\(EU\) 439/2010](#) as an independent and specialised body to strengthen EU countries' practical cooperation on asylum, to support EU countries whose asylum and reception systems are under particular pressure and to enhance the implementation of the Common European Asylum System (CEAS).

In doing so, **EASO provides operational support to different EU Member States** and in particular Italy, Greece, Cyprus, Malta and Spain but further needs might arise.

More detailed information on EASO activities, operational and technical support and the latest Operating Plans are available on EASO website at <https://www.easo.europa.eu/operational-support>.

In this context, EASO might need to (procure and) **acquire temporary structures - mobile offices and various other types of containers** - to be used for diverse purposes related to the activities of EASO, such as interviewing offices, mobile offices, facility rooms, restrooms, accommodation facilities, waiting areas, etc. and in different locations where EASO has operational activities.

Such needs, however, depend on operations in different locations and requirements may vary from country to country, while they may not occur at some locations, or may occur at any time. For that purpose, EASO would like to have in place (a) contract(s) that would allow the Agency flexibility and enable it to deliver in an efficient and timely manner if and when required (such as a framework contract).

In principle, delivery should be ensured to any location on the territory of the EU Member States, in particular to where EASO has operational activities (currently Italy, Greece, Cyprus, Malta and Spain).

The supplies of such container(s) may include associated logistics and maintenance services such as:

- **Transport, installation and removal**
  - Delivery (transportation), assembly and installation
  - Pre-installation works (such as ground/basis preparation, electrical and plumbing installations, etc.). Additional works and related supplies (for example, required for the installation of stackable containers)
  - Dismantling and removal of installed containers, including disposal
  - Transfer of delivered and installed containers to a different location
  - Storage
- **After-sale services**
  - Warranty service
  - Maintenance and repair services (incl. material and spare parts)

### B. Contract

Given the need for flexibility to fulfil the needs at any of the locations at any time only if EASO requests so (EASO is on the other hand not committed to purchase anything), EASO envisages to launch open procedure(s) for the signature of framework contract(s), with the initial duration of twelve months with the possibility of renewal three times for twelve months each (maximum duration 48 months). The duration of maintenance services may have a longer duration (by way of indication extend up to a maximum of seven years).

Given the need for flexibility for any relevant location, at this stage the possibility of one global framework contract, covering all the possible locations, is explored. The ceiling(s) of framework contracts(s) will yet need to be determined, nevertheless, some indication of ceiling(s) can be provided by the [Procurement Plan 2020](#)<sup>1</sup> and [Single Programming Document \(2021-2023\)](#)<sup>2</sup> published at EASO website, with a combined value of 47,500,000.00 EUR.

Nevertheless, the above information, including the indicated amounts, are by no means binding or definite, they serve as an indication only.

### 3. Description of the market consultation.

The market consultation will be performed **in two ways**:

**(a) Online Survey.** Please submit your written submission by 8 February 2021, 23:59 p.m., CET, by clicking on this link: <https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/EASOcontainers> and responding to the related questionnaire (optional but preferable).

All written submissions will be dealt with due care, may be used for informing the decisions of EASO and will not be published. Cost and price information provided to EASO by participants in the PMC will be held in strict confidence and will not be revealed or discussed with competitors.

**(b) Remote online meeting to take place on 11 February 2021 from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m, CET.** Submitting a written submission under point (a) above is not a pre-condition nor obligatory for participating in the online meeting.

**Economic operators interested in being invited to this remote online meeting shall express their interest by writing to [contracts@easo.europa.eu](mailto:contracts@easo.europa.eu), preferably at the latest two working days before the above indicated date for the remote online meeting.** It is expected not more than three persons per economic operator to participate at the meeting.

(Webex application will be used). Details for the modalities will be sent to interested economic operators ahead of the meeting.

The main results and conclusions of the remote online meeting will be published on EASO website: <https://www.easo.europa.eu/about-us/procurement> .

### 4. Data Protection:

The personal data collected in relation to this prior information notice shall be made available on request to the various services of EASO and will be processed in accordance to [Regulation \(EU\) 2018/1725](#) on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC.

Unless indicated otherwise, any personal data will be processed solely for purposes of preliminary market consultation as indicated in the present Note, by EASO acting as data controller. Details concerning the processing of personal data are available in the privacy statement at [https://ec.europa.eu/info/data-protection-public-procurement-procedures\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/data-protection-public-procurement-procedures_en).

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<sup>1</sup> [https://easo.europa.eu/sites/default/files/procurements/procurement-plan-2020\\_new.pdf](https://easo.europa.eu/sites/default/files/procurements/procurement-plan-2020_new.pdf)

<sup>2</sup> [https://easo.europa.eu/sites/default/files/SPD2021-2023-adopted-by-MB\\_29.09.2020.pdf](https://easo.europa.eu/sites/default/files/SPD2021-2023-adopted-by-MB_29.09.2020.pdf)

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