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**Belgium-Brussels: Study on National Policies and Cohesion
2018/S 156-357597**

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

European Commission, General Directorate Regional and Urban Policy
TA Cell BU-1 00/184
Brussels
1049
Belgium
Contact person: DG REGIO.A3 - Budget and Financial Management
E-mail: REGIO-CONTRACTS@ec.europa.eu
NUTS code: BE1

Internet address(es):

Main address: http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/newsroom/funding-opportunities/calls-for-tender/

I.2) Information about joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/newsroom/funding-opportunities/calls-for-tender/
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Study on National Policies and Cohesion
Reference number: 2017CE16BAT125

II.1.2) Main CPV code

79900000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The main objective of the study on "National policies and cohesion" linked to this call is to provide analytical input to the Commission services' work on the 8th Report on economic, social and territorial cohesion, which the Commission services will draft in 2020. This study will serve as one of the inputs for the Cohesion report.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 400 000.00 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)**

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: 00

Main site or place of performance:

Contractor's premises

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The study shall analyse and describe the nature and extent of regional (economic, social, territorial) disparities within the EU's Member States, whether they have changed over time, and which are the main drivers behind this divergence.

The study shall determine which Member States have nationally (or regionally) funded policies in place that explicitly aim at reducing such disparities and thereby contribute to the EU's objectives of economic, social and territorial cohesion.

The study shall be based on desk studies, case studies, quantitative and qualitative analyses, surveys and interviews.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 400 000.00 EUR

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

Duration in months: 12

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

II.2.14) **Additional information**

As tendering documents and any additional information are available on the website of Directorate General for Regional Policy at the following address:http://ec.europa.eu/regional_policy/en/newsroom/funding-opportunities/calls-for-tender/, potential tenderers are requested to regularly verify the internet website.

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

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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

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: 19/09/2018

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:

Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, German, Greek, English, Spanish, Estonian, Finnish, French, Irish, Croatian, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Latvian, Maltese, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Swedish

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 26/09/2018

Local time: 11:00

Place:

Avenue Beaulieu n° 5, 1160 Auderghem, Belgium (métro Demey).

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

A maximum of 2 representatives per tender can attend the opening session. Please inform the Contracting Authority by e-mail on the address indicated in section I, 3 days before the opening at the latest, providing for the participant:

- the name and first name,
- date of birth,
- nationality,
- ID or passport number and valid date.

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:

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

General Court
Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald
Luxembourg
2925
Luxembourg
Telephone: +352 4303-1
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Fax: +352 4303-2100
Internet address: <http://curia.europa.eu>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

VI.4.3) Review procedure

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

European Commission, Directorate General for Regional and Urban Policy, Unit Budget and Financial Management
Brussels
1049
Belgium

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

09/08/2018