CALL FOR TENDERS

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STUDY ON SERIOUS ROAD TRAFFIC INJURIES IN THE EU

TENDER SPECIFICATIONS
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1. INFORMATION ON TENDERING

1.1. Participation

Participation in this tender procedure is open on equal terms to all natural and legal persons coming within the scope of the Treaties and to all natural and legal persons in a third country which has a special agreement with the Union in the field of public procurement on the conditions laid down in that agreement. Where the Multilateral Agreement on Government Procurement\(^1\) concluded within the WTO applies, the participation to the call for tenders is also open to nationals of the countries that have ratified this Agreement, on the conditions it lays down.

1.2. Contractual conditions

The tenderer should bear in mind the provisions of the draft contract which specifies the rights and obligations of the contractor, particularly those on payments, performance of the contract, confidentiality, and checks and audits.

1.3. Joint tenders

A joint tender is a situation where a tender is submitted by a group of economic operators (consortium). Joint tenders may include subcontractors in addition to the joint tenderers.

In case of joint tender, all economic operators in a joint tender assume joint and several liability towards the Contracting Authority for the performance of the contract as a whole.

These economic operators shall designate one of them to act as leader with full authority to bind the grouping or the consortium and each of its members. It shall be responsible for the receipt and processing of payments for members of the grouping, for managing the service administration and for coordination. The composition and constitution of the grouping or consortium, and the allocation of the scope of tasks amongst the members, shall not be altered without the prior written consent of the Commission.

The tenderers should indicate in their offer whether the partnership takes the form of:

- a) a new or existing legal entity which will sign the contract with the Commission in case of award
- or
- b) a group of partners not constituting a new legal entity, who via a power of attorney, signed by an authorised representative of each partner (except the lead partner), designate one of the partners as lead partner, and mandate him as lead contractor to sign the contract with the Commission in case of award.

1.4. Subcontracting

Subcontracting is permitted in the tender but the contractor will retain full liability towards the Contracting Authority for performance of the contract as a whole.

Tenderers must give an indication of the part of the services and proportion of the contract that they intend to subcontract.

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\(^1\) See [http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_E/gproc_e/gp_gpa_e.htm](http://www.wto.org/english/tratop_E/gproc_e/gp_gpa_e.htm)
Tenderers are required to identify subcontractors whose share of the contract is above 20%. During contract execution, the change of any subcontractor identified in the tender will be subject to prior written approval of the Contracting Authority.

1.5. **Content of the tender**

The tenders must be presented as follows:

- **Part A**: Identification of the tenderer (see section 1.6)
- **Part B**: Evidence for exclusion criteria (see section 2.2)
- **Part C**: Evidence for selection criteria (see section 2.3)
- **Part D**: Technical offer (see section 2.5)
- **Part E**: Financial offer (see section 2.6)
- **Part F**: Power of attorney (for consortia only)

1.6. **Identification of the tenderer: legal capacity and status**

- The tenderer's identification form in Annex 1 shall be filled in and signed by:
  - The tenderer (including any member of a consortium or grouping)
  - subcontractor(s) whose share of the work represents more than 20% of the contract.

- In order to prove their legal capacity and their status, all tenderers (including any member of a consortium or grouping) must provide a signed **Legal Entity Form with its supporting evidence**. The form is available on: [http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/legal_entities/legal_entites_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/legal_entities/legal_entites_en.cfm)

  Tenderers that are already registered in the Contracting Authority’s accounting system (i.e., they have already been direct contractors) must provide the form but are not obliged to provide the supporting evidence.

- If it has not been included with the Legal Entity Form, tenderers must provide the following information:
  - For legal persons, a legible copy of the notice of appointment of the **persons authorised to represent the tenderer** in dealings with third parties and in legal proceedings, or a copy of the publication of such appointment if the legislation which applies to the legal entity concerned requires such publication. Any delegation of this authorisation to another representative not indicated in the official appointment must be evidenced.
  - For natural persons, where applicable, a proof of registration on a professional or trade register or any other official document showing the registration number.

- The tenderer (only the leader in case of joint tender) must provide a **Financial Identification Form and supporting documents**. The form is available on: [http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/index_en.cfm](http://ec.europa.eu/budget/contracts_grants/info_contracts/index_en.cfm)
2. **EVALUATION AND AWARD**

The evaluation is based on the information provided in the submitted tender. It takes place in three steps:

1. Verification of non-exclusion of tenderers on the basis of the exclusion criteria
2. Selection of tenderers on the basis of selection criteria
3. Evaluation of tenders on the basis of the award criteria (technical and financial evaluation)

Only tenders meeting the requirements of one step will pass on to the next step.

2.1. **Exclusion criteria**

All tenderers shall provide a declaration on their honour (see Annex 2), duly signed and dated by an authorised representative, stating that they are not in one of the situations of exclusion listed in the Annex 2.

The declaration on honour is also required for identified subcontractors whose intended share of the contract is above 20%.

The successful tenderer shall provide the documents mentioned as supporting evidence in Annex 2 before signature of the contract and within a deadline given by the contracting authority. This requirement applies to all members of the consortium in case of joint tender.

In case of doubt on this declaration on the honour, the contracting authority may also request the evidence for subcontractors whose intended share of the contract is above 20%.

2.2. **Selection criteria**

Tenderers must prove their economic, financial, technical and professional capacity to carry out the work subject to this call for tenders.

The tenderer may rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. It must in that case prove to the Contracting Authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing an undertaking on the part of those entities to place those resources at its disposal.

a. **Financial capacity criteria**

In order to prove their economic and financial capacity, the tenderer (in case of a joint tender the combined capacity of all tenderers and identified subcontractors) must comply with the following criteria:

- The annual turnover of the last two financial years above € 200 000

The following evidence should be provided:

- Copy of the profit & loss account for the last two years for which accounts have been closed,
- Failing that, appropriate statements from banks,
- If applicable, evidence of professional risk indemnity insurance; medical background, vehicle engineering experience.

If, for some exceptional reason which the Contracting Authority considers justified, a tenderer is unable to provide one or other of the above documents, he or she may prove his or her economic and financial capacity by any other document which the Contracting
Authority considers appropriate. In any case, the Contracting Authority must at least be notified of the exceptional reason and its justification in the tender. The Commission reserves the right to request any other document enabling it to verify the tenderer's economic and financial capacity.

b. Criteria relating to tenderers

Tenderers (in case of a joint tender the combined capacity of all tenderers and identified subcontractors) must comply with the following criteria:

- The tenderer must prove experience during the last four years in the following fields:
  1. Road safety, in particular quantitative analysis of serious road traffic crashes, including data collection.
  2. Analysis in the specific field of serious road traffic injuries, including their causes and effects.

- The tenderer must prove capacity to draft reports in English.

The following evidence should be provided to fulfil the above criteria:

- List of relevant services provided in the past three years, with sums, dates and recipients, public or private. The most important services shall be accompanied by certificates of satisfactory execution, specifying that they have been carried out in a professional manner and have been fully completed;

c. Criteria relating to the team delivering the service:

The team delivering the service should include, as a minimum, the following profiles:

**Project Manager:** At least 5 years experience in project management, including overseeing project delivery, quality control of delivered service, client orientation and conflict resolution experience in project of a similar size, with experience in management of a team of at least 8 people.

**Expert in road safety:** Relevant higher education degree and/or 5 years of professional experience in the field of road safety, in particular large-scale quantitative road safety analysis and with good knowledge on factors influencing road crash outcomes.

**Road safety expert with medical background:** Relevant higher education degree and/or 5 years of professional experience in the medical field with particular focus on trauma medicine and road traffic injury analysis.

**Team for data collection and statistical analysis:** a sufficiently large team with proven experience in data collection and data analysis.

**Language quality check:** at least 3 members of the team should have excellent language skills in English, as guaranteed by a certificate or past relevant experience.

The following evidence should be provided to fulfil the above criteria:

- The educational and professional qualifications of the persons who will provide the service for this tender (CVs) including the management staff. Each CV provided
should indicate the intended function in the delivery of the service. CVs should be submitted in EuroPass format and each CV should be no more than 10 pages.

2.3. Award criteria

The tender will be awarded according to the best-value-for-money procedure. The quality of the tender will be evaluated based on the following criteria. The maximum total quality score is 100 points.

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<td>This criterion serves to assess the quality, scope and relevance of the databases presented by the tenderer as their main source of information. It also takes into account the tenderer's proposal on how to access these databases and the understanding of the tenderer on the content and limitations of the databases proposed to be used.</td>
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<td><strong>Quality of the proposed methodology</strong></td>
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<td>- Clarity, completeness and full coverage of the tasks.</td>
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<td>- Quality of the proposed methodology for gathering, validating and analysing data and information, including realistic level of detail offered in the analysis.</td>
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<td><strong>Organisation of the work</strong></td>
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<td>This criterion will assess how the roles and responsibilities of the proposed team and of the economic operators (in case of joint tenders, including subcontractors if applicable) are distributed for each task. It also assesses the global allocation of time and resources to the project and to each task or deliverable, and whether this allocation is adequate for the work. The tender should provide details on the allocation of time and resources and the rationale behind the choice of this allocation.</td>
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<td><strong>Quality control measures</strong></td>
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<td>This criterion will assess the quality control system applied to the service foreseen in this tender specification concerning the quality of the deliverables, the language quality check, and continuity of the service in case of absence of the member of the team. The quality system should be detailed in the tender and specific to the tasks at hand; a generic quality system will result in a low score.</td>
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Tenders must score above 60% for each criterion and above 70% in total. Tenders that do not reach the minimum quality thresholds will be rejected and will not be ranked.

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After evaluation of the quality of the tender, the tenders are ranked using the formula below to determine the tender offering best value for money. A weight of 70/30 is given to quality and price.

Score for tender \( x \) =
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(\text{total award criteria score for tender } x/100) \times 70 + \left(\frac{\text{cheapest price}}{\text{price of tender } x}\right) \times 30
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3. **CONTENT AND STRUCTURE OF OFFER**

3.1. **Technical offer**

The technical offer must cover all aspects and tasks required in the technical specifications and provide all the information needed to apply the award criteria.

In particular, the tenderer should include a presentation of the sources/databases they intend to use and the limitations, scope and relevance of these databases with clear explanation of the kind of information that can realistically be extracted from them. The requirements for access to the proposed databases should be transparently presented. The tenderer must specify what level of detail they can offer to provide in the analysis.

Offers deviating from the requirements or not covering all requirements may be excluded on the basis of non-conformity with the tender specifications and not evaluated.

3.2. **Financial offer**

The price for the tender must be quoted in euro. Tenderers from countries outside the euro zone have to quote their prices in euro. The price quoted may not be revised in line with exchange rate movements. It is for the tenderer to assume the risks or the benefits deriving from any variation.

Prices must be quoted free of all duties, taxes and other charges, including VAT, as the European Union is exempt from such charges under Articles 3 and 4 of the Protocol on the privileges and immunities of the European Union. The amount of VAT may be shown separately.

The quoted price must be a fixed amount which includes all charges (including travel and subsistence). Travel and subsistence expenses are not refundable separately.

The total value of the contract has been estimated at approximately EUR 100 000.

4. **TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

For every person who dies on the roads, approximately ten more sustain serious injuries. The costs to society are substantial and the suffering of the victims and their families huge. Until today, there has been a significant knowledge gap on serious road traffic injuries in the EU. The EU-wide data on the number of serious road traffic injuries have not been reliable and comparable and less analysis has been performed on the road crashes causing serious injury than on the fatal crashes.

The Commission is therefore committed to develop a particular focus on the serious road traffic injuries, to better understand their causes and effects. The initiative to analyse the serious road traffic injuries was proposed in the Commission Policy orientations on road
safety 2011-2020\(^3\) and subsequently endorsed as a priority in the *Transport White Paper 2011*\(^4\).

Since 2011, the Commission has made important progress in this area. Following thorough consultations and dialogue with the Member States, a common EU definition of serious road traffic injury was identified: injuries scoring 3 or more on the *Maximum Abbreviated Injury Scale (MAIS3+)*.

A Commission Staff Working Document in 2013\(^5\) defined the prerequisites for making the collection of more reliable and comparable road injury data possible. The methodology for data collection has then been developed by Member State experts in the CARE group together with the Commission. In 2015, the first EU-wide data by the new definition is expected to be reported by the Member States.

The first report will cover the total number of reported serious injuries defined as MAIS3+ in the EU. It will not provide detailed data on the circumstances for all reported road injuries for all Member States.

The ambition is to reduce also the number of seriously injured on the roads over time. Over time, the number of serious road injuries seems not to have decreased as quickly as the number of road fatalities. In order to identify efficient measures for preventing injury crashes, more analysis and knowledge is needed.

4.1. **General and specific objectives**

The general objective of this study is to collect knowledge and perform analysis that enables later identification of measures for more efficient prevention of serious road traffic injuries.

The specific objective is to provide fact-based analysis on the most common circumstances and types of road traffic crashes leading to serious injuries of MAIS3+ severity.

More specifically, the study should provide information on:

- For pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists and car occupants respectively, what are the most common circumstances of a road traffic crash causing serious road injury? E.g.: what vehicles are most commonly involved, what location and situation of the crash, what serious injuries did the crash result in and, to the extent possible to define, how were these injuries inflicted?
- In this analysis, the information should be provided on the most detailed level possible, e.g. differentiating between the most common serious injury crash scenarios per gender, for different age groups, etc.
- The assessed shared of serious injury crashes accounted for by each identified most common crash scenario.

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• For the crash types and crash scenarios found to be most common for each road user group, what factors could be found to impact the injury severity grade?

4.2. Tasks

The study covers three main tasks:

1. Data collection and information gathering from existing databases.
2. Quantitative data analysis to identify the most common crash types and crash scenarios for the main road user groups (pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists, car occupants).
3. Assessment of factors influencing the severity of injuries in the most common types of crashes identified in task 2.

The data collection should focus on quantitative data from the CARE database and from national or regional in-depth accident investigation databases. The Commission will provide access to the CARE database. Access to other databases must be organised by the contractor. The choice of other data sources, their quality and content and the contractor's access to them must be clearly explained in the technical offer. This task requires a team experienced in data gathering.

The analysis should focus on identifying the most common crash types or crash scenarios causing serious road injury for the main road user groups: pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists and car occupants. Factors to be taken into account include the type and number of vehicles involved in the crash, the type of location (urban, inter-urban, motorway), the specific situation and place (e.g. junction, pedestrian crossing, bicycle path, roundabout, etc.), the type of crash (e.g. heads-on collision, run-off, side-collision, crash between motorised vehicle and an unprotected road users, etc), causal factors involved (e.g. vehicle speed, lack of safety equipment, faulty safety equipment, etc), type of serious injury (e.g. head, neck, thorax, etc.). The questions to be answered are, in short: who is most often seriously injured where, when, how, by whom and why? The purpose is to identify the most common scenarios, rather than describing all possible crash types resulting in serious injuries, assessing roughly the share of serious injury crashes these selected scenarios represent respectively. This task requires a team of experts on statistical analysis and data analysis.

Finally, an in-depth qualitative assessment should be made on the identified and selected key scenarios. For each identified most common crash type, the main factors influencing the injury severity outcome should be pinpointed. This task must be carried out by experienced road safety expertise with medical background.

The final report should include the detailed conclusions of the analysis, covering all the objectives and tasks described here. It should include a clear presentation on the assessed validity and reliability of the findings and a transparent description of the methodology used.

4.3. Scope

The study concerns serious road traffic injuries in the EU. The analysis should have as broad geographical scope as possible within the EU. Samples of national data can be used
with explanation on how the findings based on these data have relevance for the conclusions on EU road safety as a whole.

The study should focus on the serious road traffic injuries as defined by the common EU definition (MAIS3+).

The main target groups to be analysed are pedestrians, cyclists, motorcyclists and car occupants. Other target groups and more detailed breakdowns in subcategories (e.g. age, gender) should be added to the extent possible and reasonable within the study time limits.

4.4. Deliverables and timelines

The duration of the tasks shall not exceed twelve (12) months. This period is calculated in calendar days. Execution of the tasks begins after the date on which the contract enters into force.

The contractor will submit the final study report to the Commission at the latest twelve (12) months after the entry into force of the contract. The contractor must also submit an intermediate report halfway into the project.

In principle, the deadlines set out in this Tender Specification cannot be extended. The contractor is deemed solely responsible for delays occasioned by subcontractors or other third parties (except for rare cases of force majeure). Adequate resources and appropriate organisation of the work including management of potential delays should be put in place in order to observe the timetable below.

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Draft final report (T0+41 weeks) | The contractor submits the draft final report. Within 10 calendar days the Commission will provide the contractor with comments on the draft final report and suggest a meeting date for discussion with the contractor, in Brussels or as otherwise agreed.

Final report (within 10 calendar days from the reception of the Commission comments) + final payment request | The contractor submits the final report which reflects the Commission's comments. Within 15 calendar days the Commission should approve or reject the final report.

4.5. Working methods and quality requirements

The methodology to be applied in the study is to be elaborated by the contractor. In the technical offer, the contractor will describe the phases of the study together with a presentation of the different methodologies proposed for the different phases and tasks of the work.

The contractor (team leader and other relevant experts) is expected to participate in two meetings in Brussels: the kick-off meeting and a meeting to discuss the final draft report. The kick-off meeting between the contractor and the Commission will serve to settle all the details of the study and to ensure that the contractor has a clear understanding of the terms of the contract and the objectives of the study.

If needed, additional meetings may be scheduled. Minutes of the meetings should be drafted by the contractor within 5 working days and should be agreed among the meeting participants and the Commission.

5. Structure and graphic requirements of reports

All studies produced for the European Commission and Executive Agencies shall conform to the corporate visual identity of the European Commission by applying the graphic rules set out in the European Commission's Visual Identity Manual, including its logo.\(^6\)

The Commission is committed to making online information as accessible as possible to the largest possible number of users including those with visual, auditory, cognitive or physical disabilities, and those not having the latest technologies. The Commission supports the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0 of the W3C.

For full details on Commission policy on accessibility for information providers, see: [http://ec.europa.eu/ipg/standards/accessibility/index_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/ipg/standards/accessibility/index_en.htm)

Pdf versions of studies destined for online publication should respect W3C guidelines for accessible pdf documents. See: [http://www.w3.org/WAI/](http://www.w3.org/WAI/)

5.1. Content and format

All reports should be produced in English and submitted electronically in Microsoft Word format (or Microsoft Excel if appropriate for annexes or similar) per e-mail to the

\(^6\) The Visual Identity Manual of the European Commission is available upon request. Requests should be made to the following e-mail address: comm-visual-identity@ec.europa.eu
Commission technical officer appointed as contact person in the Contract. In addition, three hard-copies should be sent to the technical officer.

The final report should also be submitted per e-mail in publishable pdf format.

The **final study report** shall include:

- an abstract of no more than 200 words and a publishable executive
- the following standard disclaimer:
  
  "*The information and views set out in this [report/study/article/publication...] are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the official opinion of the Commission. The Commission does not guarantee the accuracy of the data included in this study. Neither the Commission nor any person acting on the Commission’s behalf may be held responsible for the use which may be made of the information contained therein.*"
- specific identifiers which shall be incorporated on the cover page provided by the Contracting Authority.

The **publishable executive summary** shall be provided in English and French and shall include:

- the following standard disclaimer:
  
  "*The information and views set out in this [report/study/article/publication...] are those of the author(s) and do not necessarily reflect the official opinion of the Commission. The Commission does not guarantee the accuracy of the data included in this study. Neither the Commission nor any person acting on the Commission’s behalf may be held responsible for the use which may be made of the information contained therein.*"
- specific identifiers which shall be incorporated on the cover page provided by the Contracting Authority.

The new visual identity applies to all commission services and related bodies. The use of graphical applications of the visual identity is explained in the Visual Identity Manual and Implementation Guidelines which can be consulted at the following address (only accessible to the Commission):

http://www.cc.cec/dgintranet/comm/visual_identity/index_en.htm

For graphic requirements please refer to the template provided in the Annex 4. The cover page shall be filled in by the contractor in accordance with the instructions provided in the template. For further details you may also contact **comm-visual-identity@ec.europa.eu.**
6. ANNEXES

1. Tenderer's Identification Form
2. Declaration related to the exclusion criteria and absence of conflict of interest
3. Power of Attorney (mandate in case of joint tender)
4. Standard Word template for studies
5. Draft Contract
ANNEX 1

IDENTIFICATION OF THE TENDERER

(Each service provider, including any member of a consortium or grouping and subcontractor(s) whose share of the work is more than 20% of the contract must complete and sign this identification form)

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⁸ This person must be included in the list of legal representatives; otherwise the signature on the tender will be invalidated.
(Complete or delete the parts in grey italics in parenthese)

[Choose options for parts in grey between square brackets]

The undersigned *(insert name of the signatory of this form)*:

- in *[his][her]* own name *(for a natural person)*
  or
- representing the following legal person: *(only if the economic operator is a legal person)*

  - full official name:
  - official legal form:
  - full official address:
  - VAT registration number:

- declares that *[the above-mentioned legal person][he][she]* is not in one of the following situations:
  
  a) is bankrupt or being wound up, is having its affairs administered by the courts, has entered into an arrangement with creditors, has suspended business activities, is the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;
  
  b) has been convicted of an offence concerning professional conduct by a judgment of a competent authority of a Member State which has the force of *res judicata*;
  
  c) has been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authorities can justify including by decisions of the European Investment Bank and international organisations;
  
  d) is not in compliance with all its obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions and the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which it is established, with those of the country of the contracting authority and those of the country where the contract is to be performed;
  
  e) has been the subject of a judgement which has the force of *res judicata* for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation, money laundering or any other illegal activity, where such activity is detrimental to the Union’s financial interests;
  
  f) is a subject of an administrative penalty for being guilty of misrepresentation in supplying the information required by the contracting authority as a condition of participation in a procurement procedure or failing to supply this information, or having been declared to be in serious breach of its obligations under contracts covered by the Union’s budget.

- *(Only for legal persons other than Member States and local authorities, otherwise delete)* declares that the natural persons with power of representation, decision-
making or control\(^9\) over the above-mentioned legal entity are not in the situations referred to in b) and e) above;

- declares that \[the above-mentioned legal person][he][she]:

  g) has no conflict of interest in connection with the contract; a conflict of interest could arise in particular as a result of economic interests, political or national affinity, family, emotional life or any other shared interest;

  h) will inform the contracting authority, without delay, of any situation considered a conflict of interest or which could give rise to a conflict of interest;

  i) has not granted and will not grant, has not sought and will not seek, has not attempted and will not attempt to obtain, and has not accepted and will not accept any advantage, financial or in kind, to or from any party whatsoever, where such advantage constitutes an illegal practice or involves corruption, either directly or indirectly, inasmuch as it is an incentive or reward relating to award of the contract;

  j) provided accurate, sincere and complete information to the contracting authority within the context of this procurement procedure;

- acknowledges that \[the above-mentioned legal person][he][she] may be subject to administrative and financial penalties\(^10\) if any of the declarations or information provided prove to be false.

In case of award of contract, the following evidence shall be provided upon request and within the time limit set by the contracting authority:

For situations described in (a), (b) and (e), production of a recent extract from the judicial record is required or, failing that, a recent equivalent document issued by a judicial or administrative authority in the country of origin or provenance showing that those requirements are satisfied. Where the tenderer is a legal person and the national legislation of the country in which the tenderer is established does not allow the provision of such documents for legal persons, the documents should be provided for natural persons, such as the company directors or any person with powers of representation, decision making or control in relation to the tenderer.

For the situation described in point (d) above, recent certificates or letters issued by the competent authorities of the State concerned are required. These documents must provide evidence covering all taxes and social security contributions for which the tenderer is liable, including for example, VAT, income tax (natural persons only), company tax (legal persons only) and social security contributions.

For any of the situations (a), (b), (d) or (e), where any document described in two paragraphs above is not issued in the country concerned, it may be replaced by a sworn or, failing that, a solemn statement made by the interested party before a judicial or administrative authority, a notary or a qualified professional body in his country of origin or provenance.

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\(^9\) This covers the company directors, members of the management or supervisory bodies, and cases where one natural person holds a majority of shares.

\(^10\) As provided for in Article 109 of the Financial Regulation (EU, Euratom) 966/2012 and Article 145 of the Rules of Application of the Financial Regulation
If the tenderer is a legal person, information on the natural persons with power of representation, decision making or control over the legal person shall be provided only upon request by the contracting authority.

Full name          Date          Signature
ANNEX 3

POWER OF ATTORNEY

mandating one of the partners in a joint tender as lead partner and lead contractor¹¹

The undersigned:

— Signatory  (Name, Function, Company, Registered address, VAT Number)

having the legal capacity required to act on behalf of his/her company,

HEREBY AGREES TO THE FOLLOWING:

1) To submit a tender as a partner in the group of partners constituted by Company 1, Company 2, Company N, and led by Company X, in accordance with the conditions specified in the tender specifications and the terms specified in the tender to which this power of attorney is attached.

2) If the European Commission awards the Contract to the group of partners constituted by Company 1, Company 2, Company N, and led by Company X on the basis of the joint tender to which this power of attorney is attached, all the partners shall be co-signatories of the Contract in accordance with the following conditions:

(a) All partners shall be jointly and severally liable towards the European Commission for the performance of the Contract.

(b) All partners shall comply with the terms and conditions of the Contract and ensure the proper delivery of their respective share of the services and/or supplies subject to the Contract.

1) Payments by the European Commission related to the services and/or supplies subject to the Contract shall be made through the lead partner’s bank account: [Provide details on bank, address, account number].

2) The partners grant to the lead partner all the necessary powers to act on their behalf in the submission of the tender and conclusion of the Contract, including:

(a) The lead partner shall submit the tender on behalf of the group of partners.

(b) The lead partner shall sign any contractual documents — including the Contract, and Amendments thereto — and issue any invoices related to the Services on behalf of the group of partners.

(c) The lead partner shall act as a single contact point with the European Commission in the delivery of the services and/or supplies subject to the Contract. It shall coordinate the delivery of the services and/or supplies by the group of partners to the European Commission, and shall see to a proper administration of the Contract.

Any modification to the present power of attorney shall be subject to the European

¹¹ To be filled in and signed by each partner in a joint tender except the lead partner.
Commission’s express approval. This power of attorney shall expire when all the contractual obligations of the group of partners towards the European Commission for the delivery of the services and/or supplies subject to the Contract have ceased to exist. The parties cannot terminate it before that date without the Commission’s consent.

Signed in …………………………… on [dd/mm/yyyy]

Place and date:
Name (in capital letters), function, company and signature:
ANNEX 4

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ANNEX 5

DRAFT CONTRACT