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Denmark-Copenhagen: Services Supporting the European Environment Agency's Cross-cutting Coordination of the Copernicus Programme's in situ Data Activities — Geospatial Data 2020/S 116-280769

Contract award notice

Results of the procurement procedure

Services

Legal Basis:

Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: European Environment Agency

Postal address: Kongens Nytorv 6

Town: Copenhagen K

NUTS code: DK011 Byen København

Postal code: 1050 K

Country: Denmark

Contact person: Olivier Cornu

E-mail: procurement@eea.europa.eu

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.eea.europa.eu>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Services Supporting the European Environment Agency's Cross-cutting Coordination of the Copernicus Programme's in situ Data Activities — Geospatial Data

Reference number: EEA/DIS/R0/20/002

II.1.2) Main CPV code

72300000 Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The overarching purpose of this open call for tenders is to assist the EEA's cross-cutting coordination of Copernicus in situ data activities. The EEA is requesting the services of one contractor within the domain of geospatial data comprising the relevant thematic themes as defined in the INSPIRE directive: Annex I, Annex II and Annex III. The services to be delivered by the contractor encompass primarily thematic and technical support, and information gathering, recording and analysis in relation to the specific thematic domains. The contractor will work across the Copernicus programme and will specifically need to cover and consult the following services and entrusted entities:

- The Copernicus Land Monitoring Service (CLMS, except biophysical products) implemented jointly by the EEA and JRC;
- The Copernicus Emergency Management Service (CEMS, except the Early Warning Component) implemented by the JRC;
- The Copernicus Security Service (CSS) implemented by EMSA, FRONTEX and SatCen.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: 2 000 000.00 EUR

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

72310000 Data-processing services

73220000 Development consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: DK011 Byen København

Main site or place of performance:

All services shall mainly be performed at the future contractor's own premises, with occasional meetings at the EEA's premises in Copenhagen, depending on the requirements of each specific contract.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

The entities rely on geospatial data collected by data providers external to Copernicus. Geospatial data are used to validate and supplement the information provided by satellites and are essential in order to deliver reliable and consistent products and data over time. In general Copernicus in situ data activities include, but is not limited, to the following:

- provision of in situ data to the entities including third party in situ data at international level, based on existing capacities;
- coordination and harmonisation of the collection and provision of in situ data;
- technical assistance to the European Commission as regards requirements for in situ observation data;
- cooperation with in situ operators to promote the consistency of development activities related to the in situ observation infrastructure and networks;
- identification of in situ observations' gaps that cannot be filled by existing infrastructures and networks including at global level, and addressing those gaps while respecting the principle of subsidiarity.

The Copernicus in situ data activities are carried out using a two tier model: the first tier is composed of the entities, which are responsible for the day to day operational work, data management, and ingestion of observational data in accordance with their specific requirements. A second tier focuses on making in situ data accessible through appropriate arrangements at programme level, facilitate coordination, data sharing, knowledge and information exchange, and exploiting synergies wherever possible. Cross-cutting coordination

of Copernicus in situ data activities, which forms part of the second tier, has been delegated to the EEA and includes the following main tasks:

- establish and maintain an overview of the state of play of in situ data for Copernicus services;
- operational provision of in situ data including access to reference data for Copernicus services;
- managing partnerships with data providers to improve access and use conditions of in situ data for Copernicus services;
- support to the European Commission and Copernicus services on in situ data issues.

Essentially, it is in order to accomplish these four tasks that the EEA requests expert thematic and technical support.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: The completeness and quality of tenderer's understanding of state of play the tenderer's understanding of the main challenges faced by the Entities as regards accessibility and availability of essential in situ data. See paragraph 1.4 (bullet point a) for further information. / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: The completeness, quality, and relevance of the three activities selected by the tenderer the tenderer's presentation of three activities that have the potential of improving in situ data availability and accessibility for the Entities. See paragraph 1.4 (bullet point b) for further information. / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: The relevance of the tenderer's approach towards coordination and cooperation with European and global data providers the tenderer's approach towards coordination and cooperation with (European and global) data provider networks, and regional and national data providers specifically relevant for the Entities. See paragraph 1.4 (bullet point c) for further information. / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Project management: project management, including organisation and team composition and description of the approach towards quality control and risk management. See paragraph 1.4 (bullet point d) for further information / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: yes

Identification of the project:

Copernicus — Regulation (EU) No 377/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 3 April 2014 (OJ L 122, 24.4.2014, p. 44).

II.2.14) **Additional information**

During the 3 (three) years following the starting date of implementation of the original contract, the EEA reserves the right to exercise the option of conducting a negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice for new services with the contractor in accordance with point (e) of the second subparagraph of point 11.1 of Annex I to the Financial Regulation.

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**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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: no

IV.2) **Administrative information**

IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2020/S 012-022844](#)

IV.2.8) **Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

IV.2.9) **Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: EEA/DIS/R0/20/002

Title:

Services Supporting the European Environment Agency's Cross-cutting Coordination of the Copernicus Programme's in situ Data Activities — Geospatial Data

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**

V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:**

05/05/2020

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: e-GEOS S.p.A.

National registration number: IT01032180778

Postal address: Contrada Terlecchie

Town: Matera

NUTS code: ITF52 Matera

Postal code: 75100

Country: Italy

The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: GAF AG

National registration number: DE129357512

Postal address: Arnulfstrasse 199

Town: Munich

NUTS code: DE212 München, Kreisfreie Stadt

Postal code: 80634

Country: Germany

The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: ITHACA S.R.L.
National registration number: 12212100015
Postal address: Via Pier Carlo Boggio 61
Town: Torino
NUTS code: ITC11 Torino
Postal code: 10138
Country: Italy
The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: Istituto Superiore per la Protezione e la Ricerca Ambientale (ISPRA)
National registration number: IT10125211002
Postal address: Via Vitaliano Brancati 48
Town: Roma
NUTS code: ITI43 Roma
Postal code: 00144
Country: Italy
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: EvenFlow Sprl
National registration number: BE0568875009
Postal address: Rue de la loi 26, boîte 7
Town: Etterbeek
NUTS code: BE100 Arr. de Bruxelles-Capitale / Arr. van Brussel-Hoofdstad
Postal code: 1040
Country: Belgium
The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000.00 EUR
Total value of the contract/lot: 2 000 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted
Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties
Proportion: 10 %

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) **Additional information:**

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: General Court
Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald
Town: Luxembourg
Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 4303-2100
Internet address: <https://curia.europa.eu>

VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: European Ombudsman
Postal address: 1 Avenue du Président Robert Schuman
Town: Strasbourg
Postal code: 67001
Country: France
E-mail: eo@ombudsman.europa.eu
Telephone: +33 388172313
Fax: +33 388179062
Internet address: <https://www.ombudsman.europa.eu>

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Within 2 months of the notification to the plaintiff (date of receipt), or, in the absence thereof, the day when the person concerned had knowledge of the relevant information, an appeal may be lodged with the Court of Justice of the European Union.

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

Official name: General Court
Postal address: Rue du Fort Niedergrünwald
Town: Luxembourg
Postal code: 2925
Country: Luxembourg
E-mail: generalcourt.registry@curia.europa.eu
Telephone: +352 4303-1
Fax: +352 5-4303-2100
Internet address: <https://curia.europa.eu>

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

05/06/2020