

AT-Vienna: study on indicators measuring the implementation, protection, respect and promotion of children's rights in the European Union, mapping and assessment of available relevant data resources

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Contract notice

Services

Section I: Contracting authority

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

European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), attn: Procurement Section, Rahlgasse 3, A-1060 Vienna. Tel. (43-1) 58 03 06 10. Fax (43-1) 58 03 06 91. E-mail: procurement@fra.europa.eu.

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.fra.europa.eu>.

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).

I.2) Type of the contracting authority and main activity or activities:

European institution/agency or international organisation.

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:

Study on indicators measuring the implementation, protection, respect and promotion of children's rights in the European Union, mapping and assessment of available relevant data resources.

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance:

Services.

Service category No 27.

Main place of performance:

the place of performance of the tasks shall be the contractor's premises or any other place indicated in the contract.

II.1.3) The notice involves:

A public contract.

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s):

The aim of this project is to develop a set of indicators for measuring regularly how children's rights are implemented, protected, respected and promoted in the Member States of the European Union. Accordingly the objectives of this project are:

- to develop a set of indicators for measuring how children's rights are implemented, protected, respected and promoted in the Member States based on a review of available sources and a structured consultation with experts and key stakeholders,
- to map and assess available data resources, on the basis of the indicators developed, at national, EU and international level regarding comparability, gaps and other issues,
- to draft a report containing a comprehensive overview of the situation regarding data availability, reliability and comparability across the European Union.

II.1.6) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**

74131600.

II.1.7) **Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):**

Yes.

II.1.8) **Division into lots:**

No.

II.1.9) **Variants will be accepted:**

No.

II.2) **Quantity or scope of the contract**

II.2.1) **Total quantity or scope:**

Estimated value, excluding VAT: EUR 275 000.

II.2.2) **Options:**

No.

II.3) **Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:**

Duration: 12 months from the award of the contract.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions relating to the contract**

III.1.1) **Deposits and guarantees required:**

Not applicable.

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

The invoicing procedures for the services, once accepted by the contracting authority, are as follows:

- 30 % with the signature of the contract,
- 50 % with the reception of the deliverable indicated in the contract,
- 20 % with the final acceptance.

III.1.3) **Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**

Participation in tendering procedures 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 Communities in the field of public procurement on the conditions laid down in that agreement. Consortia of economic operators are authorised to tender or be candidates.

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 requirements are met:

Candidates or tenderers shall be excluded from participation in a procurement procedure if:

- (a) they are bankrupt or being wound up, are having their affairs administered by the courts, have entered into an arrangement with creditors, have suspended business activities, are the subject of proceedings concerning those matters, or are in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;
- (b) they have been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a judgment which has the force of res judicata;
- (c) they have been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authority can justify;
- (d) they have not fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions or the payment of taxes in accordance with the legal provisions of the country in which they are established or with those of the country of the contracting authority or those of the country where the contract is to be performed,
- (e) they have been the subject of a judgment which has the force of res judicata for fraud, corruption, involvement in a criminal organisation or any other illegal activity detrimental to the Communities' financial interests,
- (f) following another procurement procedure or grant award procedure financed by the Community budget, they have been declared to be in serious breach of contract for failure to comply with their contractual obligations. Contracts may not be awarded to candidates or tenderers who, during the procurement procedure:
- (g) are subject to a conflict of interest;
- (h) are guilty of misrepresentation in supplying the information required by the contracting authority as a condition of participation in the contract procedure or fail to supply this information.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

The presentation of balance sheets or extracts from balance sheets for at least the last 2 years for which accounts have been closed, where publication of the balance sheet is required under the company law of the country in which the economic operator is established.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

As specified in the tender specifications.

III.2.4) **Reserved contracts:**

No.

III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**

III.3.1) **Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession:**

No.

III.3.2) **Legal entities 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:**

Open.

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) **An electronic auction will be used:**
No.
- IV.3) **Administrative information**
- IV.3.1) **File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**
FRA2-2007-3200-T06.
- IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:**
No.
- 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: 21.9.2007.
Payable documents: no.
- IV.3.4) **Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:**
27.9.2007.
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up:**
Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish.
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:**
Duration: 6 months from the date stated for receipt of tenders.
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening tenders:**
8.10.2007 (15:30).
Place: European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, Rahlgasse 3, A-1060 Wien.
Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes.
An authorised representative of each tenderer may attend the opening of the bids. Companies wishing to attend are requested to notify their intention by sending a fax or e-mail at least 48 hours in advance to the fax or e-mail given under Article 17 of the tender specifications. This notification must be signed by an authorised officer of the tenderer and specify the name of the person who will attend the opening of the bids on the tenderer's behalf.

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **This is a recurrent procurement:**
No.
- VI.2) **Contract relates to a project and/or programme financed by EU funds:**
No.
- VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**
- VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures:**
Court of First Instance of the European Communities, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-2925 Luxembourg. Tel. (352) 43 03-1. Fax (352) 43 37 66. E-mail: ECJ.Registry@curia.europa.eu. URL: <http://curia.europa.eu>.
Body responsible for mediation procedures:
The European Ombudsman, 1, avenue du Président Robert Schuman, F-67001 Strasbourg Cedex. Tel. (33) 388 17 23 13. Fax (33) 388 17 90 62. E-mail: euro-ombudsman@europarl.europa.eu. URL: <http://www.euro-ombudsman.europa.eu>.
- 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. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not have as 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:**

Court of First Instance of the European Communities, boulevard Konrad Adenauer, L-2925 Luxembourg. Tel. (352) 43 03-1. Fax (352) 43 37 66. E-mail: ECJ.Registry@curia.europa.eu. URL: <http://curia.europa.eu>.

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

7.8.2007.