

ECB - production and distribution of an educational tool (D-Frankfurt-on-Main)**2005/S 113-111523****Contract notice****Supplies****Is this contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)? Yes.****Section I: Contracting authority**

- I.1) **Official name and address of the contracting authority:**
European Central Bank, Att: Mr Klaus Demmer, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt am Main. Tel.: (49-69) 13 44 75 54. Fax: (49-69) 13 44 71 10. E-mail: procurement@ecb.int. URL: www.ecb.int.
- I.2) **Address from which further information can be obtained:**
As in I.1.
- I.3) **Address from which documentation may be obtained:**
As in I.1.
- I.4) **Address to which tenders/requests to participate must be sent:**
As in I.1.
- I.5) **Type of contracting authority:**
EU institution.

Section II: Object of the contract

- II.1) **Description**
- II.1.1) **Type of works contract**
- II.1.2) **Type of supplies contract:**
Purchase.
- II.1.3) **Type of service contract**
- II.1.4) **Is it a framework agreement?**
Yes.
- II.1.5) **Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:**
Production and distribution of an educational tool.
- II.1.6) **Description/object of the contract:**
The ECB has developed an educational tool on price stability primarily aiming at pupils around the age of 15 living in the euro area. This educational tool will be presented in a toolbox consisting of one teachers' booklet, 40 pupils' leaflets, one video cassette, one DVD, one letter of presentation and one order form.
Tenderers shall make their own proposals (free choice of material) for the toolbox and send a sample, together with a sample of an additional packing (mailing box), to the ECB with their application. Tenderers are required to limit the size of the toolbox as far as possible creating a stable package into which all items can easily fit. All the items in the toolbox shall be efficiently packed and be easily accessible for the users.
The complete toolbox will be distributed to schools throughout the euro area or to national central banks on the basis of an ECB database.
The duration of the agreement with the ECB will be of 3 years with the possibility of renewal for a further period

up to 2 years.

II.1.7) Site or location of works, place of delivery or performance:

For the initial order, the educational tool shall be sent to different addresses situated in following countries: Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain.

II.1.8) Nomenclature

II.1.8.1) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):

22000000, 22100000, 32321300, 78100000, 78230000, 22100000, 21211110.

II.1.8.2) Other relevant nomenclature (CPA / NACE / CPC)

II.1.9) Division into lots:

No.

II.1.10) Will variants be accepted:

Yes.

With the limitations indicated in the tender documents.

II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope (including all lots and options, if applicable):

The initial order will consist of approximately 60 000 boxes containing the educational material indicated in section II. 1.6. The precise number of the various materials requested in the first order is indicated in the tender documents. This initial order may be followed by other orders during the duration of the contract.

II.2.2) Options. Description and time when they may be exercised

II.3) Time limit for completion:

As indicated in the tender documents.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required (if applicable)

III.1.2) Main terms of financing and payment and/or reference to the relevant provisions

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the grouping of suppliers, contractors or service providers to whom the contract is awarded:

The establishment of a temporary grouping is allowed. Bids from temporary groupings will only be considered if their members, at the time of placing the bid, have declared in writing that:

- in the case of an order they will provide all supplies as a temporary grouping, and
- all members will have joint and several liability for the performance of the contract.

Furthermore, a representative who is authorised to report to the ECB on behalf of the temporary grouping, to make legal statements and to accept unrestricted payments on behalf of the temporary grouping or each member of it, shall be named.

The parts of the supply that will be performed by single companies shall be specified.

III.2) Conditions for participation

The bidding company shall:

- (a) have the technical and financial resources necessary to meet the invitation to tender requirements; and,
- (b) have the management organisation and procedures capable of sustaining reliable and consistent production in order to meet the deadlines imposed by the ECB; and,
- (c) have previously provided similar supplies (to those tendered);
- (d) have at least 1 person with excellent and proven English skills among its professional staff involved in the project and subsequent management of the contract; and
- (e) have the financial soundness necessary for the execution of the contract, as demonstrated by their balance

sheets of the last 3 years, or equivalent.

III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1) Is provision of the service reserved to a specific profession?

No.

III.3.2) Will legal entities be required to state the names and professional qualifications of the personnel responsible for execution of the contract?

Yes.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure:

Open.

IV.1.1) Have candidates already been selected?

IV.1.2) Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure

IV.1.3) Previous publication concerning the same contract

IV.1.3.1) Prior information notice concerning the same contract

IV.1.3.2) Other previous publications

IV.1.4) Envisaged number of suppliers which will be invited to tender

IV.2) Award criteria:

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of:
criteria as stated below:

(a) pricing terms;

(b) references from clients in terms of their satisfaction with the supply of goods provided referring to the fulfilment of contracts of the same nature.

In descending order of priority: no.

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.1) Reference number attributed to the file by the contracting authority

IV.3.2) Conditions for obtaining contract document and additional documents:

Obtainable until: 15.7.2005.

IV.3.3) Time limit for receipt of tenders:

19.7.2005 before 12.00 noon.

IV.3.4) Dispatch of invitations to tender to selected candidates

IV.3.5) Language or languages in which tenders or requests to participate can be drawn up:

All tenders shall be submitted in English.

IV.3.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain its tender:

6 months from the deadline stated for receipt of tenders.

IV.3.7) Conditions for opening tenders

IV.3.7.1) Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders

IV.3.7.2) Date, time and place

Section VI: Other information

VI.1) Is this notice a non-mandatory one?

No.

VI.2) If applicable, indicate whether this procurement is a recurrent one and the estimated timing for further notices to be published

VI.3) **Does the contract relate to a project/programme financed by EU funds?**

No.

VI.4) **Additional information (if applicable)**

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

8.6.2005.