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**Germany-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - Provision of telecommunication lines and services
2016/S 172-308655**

Contract notice

Services

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Joint procurement

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://www.ecb.europa.eu/secure/procurement/login.html>

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

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Provision of telecommunication lines and services.
Reference number: PRO-002343.

II.1.2) Main CPV code

64200000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The scope of the framework agreement for telecommunication services includes the provision of external telecommunication lines for the locations in Frankfurt-on-Main. The telecommunications environment of the ECB is connected to the public switched telephone network (PSTN) through access lines currently provided by a third-party provider.

The telecommunication lines consist currently of PRI, BRI, IP and DSL lines in the Frankfurt-on-Main metropolitan area.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

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)**

64210000
64211000
64211100
64211200
64215000

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: DE712

Main site or place of performance:

European Central Bank, Frankfurt-on-Main.

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

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II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Provisioning / Weighting: 12.5

Quality criterion - Name: Technical requirements / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Incident management / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Service management / Weighting: 7.5

Quality criterion - Name: Security / Weighting: 5

Price - Weighting: 50

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

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

Duration in months: 48

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**

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**

List and brief description of conditions:

Pursuant to Article 30 of the Decision (EU) 2016/245 of the European Central Bank of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement (ECB/2016/2) the following shall apply:

the ECB shall exclude tenderers from participation if they, or their management bodies, have been convicted by a final judgment of participation in a criminal organisation, corruption, fraud, terrorist offences or financing, money laundering, child labour or human trafficking, as referred to in Article 57(1) of Directive 2014/24/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, or of any other illegal activity detrimental to the financial interests of the Union, the ECB or the NCBs.

The ECB may exclude tenderers from participation at any time if:

- (a) they are bankrupt, being wound up, subject to administration or in any similar situation provided for in national legislation or regulations;
- (b) they are guilty of grave professional misconduct, which renders their integrity questionable;
- (c) they are in breach of 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 where the contract is to be performed;
- (d) they have shown significant or persistent deficiencies in the performance of another public contract, or with their obligations under environmental, social and labour law;
- (e) they or their management, staff or agents are subject to a conflict of interest that cannot be remedied by less intrusive means;
- (f) they are guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required by the ECB; or
- (g) they contact other candidates or tenderers with the purpose of restraining competition, or try to unduly influence the decision-making process in the procurement procedure.

Tenderers shall certify that they are not in one of the situations listed above and provide the evidence specified in the contract notice or invitation to tender. If such circumstances arise in the course of the procedure the tenderer concerned shall inform the ECB thereof without undue delay. Tenderers may submit evidence to demonstrate their eligibility despite the existence of grounds for exclusion.

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Tenderers shall have the economic, financial, technical and professional capacity to perform the contract. As evidence tenderers shall submit:

- (a) registration number(s) in the Creditreform and/or Dun & Bradstreet credit rating/scoring databases or the annual report for the last closed 3 consecutive business years enclosed;
- (b) tender submission form (Annex 6 to invitation to tender) completed.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Tenderers must meet the following minimum requirements:

(a) the accumulated total net turnover for the last 3 financial years of 1 290 000 EUR.
However, one of the members shall have achieved on its own 60 % of the above amount.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria:

Tenderers shall have the economic, financial, technical and professional capacity to perform the contract. As evidence tenderers shall submit the tender submission form (Annex 6 to invitation to tender) completed.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Tenderers must meet the following minimum requirement:

tenderers shall have performed during the last 3 financial years at least 3 similar contracts, each of them being worth at least 840 000 EUR.

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

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

Framework agreement with a single operator

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: 04/10/2016

Local time: 18:00

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:

English

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: 05/10/2016

Local time: 10:00

Place:

European Central Bank, 60314 Frankfurt-on-Main, GERMANY.

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure:

Pursuant to Article 29 of the Decision (EU) 2016/245 of the European Central Bank of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement (ECB/2016/2) the following shall apply:

The applications and tenders shall be opened in the presence of at least 2 members of ECB staff and the opening shall be minuted. Unless specified otherwise, candidates or tenderers may not attend the opening.

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:

1. The envisaged procurement procedure shall be governed by the Decision (EU) 2016/245 of the European Central Bank of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement (ECB/2016/2) (hereinafter: Decision).

2. The documentation for this procurement procedure can be downloaded from an Internet platform. If you are interested in participating, please register via the Internet platform using the following Internet address:

<https://www.ecb.europa.eu/secure/procurement/>

User ID: 002343/IS/INO/2016

Password: 7D86EA

After having registered, an e-mail will be sent to you with a new user name and password. The Internet address will remain the same. Please use the new user name and password to download the procurement documentation.

Should you experience any problems in accessing the Internet platform for registration and/or downloading the procurement documentation please do not hesitate to contact us under the following e-mail address:

procurement@ecb.europa.eu quoting the procurement number 'PRO-002343' and describing the problem experienced.

3. The tender procedure shall be open on equal terms to all natural or legal persons resident or located in the European Union and to all natural and legal persons resident or located in a country which has ratified the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Government Procurement or has concluded with the European Union a bilateral agreement on procurement under the conditions laid down in the said agreements.

4. The ECB shall exclude tenderers that are in one of the situations described in Article 30(4) of the Decision or put on a blacklist in accordance with Article 30(8) of the Decision. The ECB may exclude tenderers that are in one of the situations described in Article 30(5) of the Decision.

5. Further information about ECB procurement rules and procedures may be obtained at: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/tenders/html/index.en.html>

6. The invitation to tender (ITT) describes how tenderers have to prepare and submit their tenders (see Chapters II and III of ITT), describes the evaluation and award process (see Chapter IV of ITT), explains how the ECB will inform the tenderers about the outcome of the procedure (see Chapter V of ITT) and lays down general rules to be observed by all tenderers (Chapter VI of ITT). The technical specifications (Annex 1 to the ITT) describe the ECB's functional and technical requirements. The requirements catalogue (Annex 2 to the ITT) is the basis of the technical offer that will help the tenderers to compile their technical offers and will help the ECB to assess the offers received. The technical specifications and requirements catalogue will form an integral part of the contract, together with the tender submitted by the successful tenderer. The draft contract (Annex 7 to the ITT) specifies the ECB's legal terms and conditions for the performance of the contract. It will form the basis for the contractual relationship with the successful tenderer. The tender submission form (Annex 6 to the ITT) is a questionnaire to be completed and signed by applicants in order to assess their eligibility to participate in this procedure and their capacity to perform the contract. The price sheet (Annex 3 to the ITT) is a table that tenderers shall use to submit their financial offer. Annex 4 to the ITT is the ECB's service level agreement, which

specifies the service levels for the certain contractual services and it will form an integral part of the contractual relationship with the successful tenderer.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank
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Fax: +49 691344-6886
Internet address:<http://www.ecb.int>

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

The European Ombudsman
1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403
Strasbourg Cedex
67001
France

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Pursuant to Article 34 of the Decision (EU) 2016/245 of the European Central Bank of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement (ECB/2016/2) the following shall apply:
the notification of the award decision shall be sent at least 10 days prior to the signature of the contract by the ECB if the notification is sent by fax or electronic means, or at least 15 days prior to the signature of the contract if other means of communication are used.

Tenderers may, within 15 days of receipt of the notification, request the ECB to provide the reasons for rejecting their application or their tender and to provide copies of all documents relating to the evaluation of their application or tender. Unsuccessful tenderers whose tender was admissible may also ask for the name of the successful tenderer as well as the key characteristics and relative advantages of its tender. They may also request copies of all documents relating to the evaluation of the successful tender, subject to paragraph 4.

Pursuant to Article 39 of the Decision (EU) 2016/245 of the European Central Bank of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement (ECB/2016/2) the following shall apply:

tenderers may challenge in writing the ECB's decision to reject their application or tender within 15 days of receipt of the information specified in Article 34(3) or, if no information is requested, within 15 days of receipt of notification in accordance with Article 34(1). The appeal shall include all supporting information and reasoned objections.

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

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VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
26/08/2016