ECB - open tender for the provision of TV services related to the monthly press conferences of the ECB and for the provision of web-cast services (D-Frankfurt-on-Main)

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Contract notice

Services

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, attn: Alberto Molon, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Fax (49-69) 13 44 75 03. E-mail: procurement@ecb.int. URL: http://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
II.1.3) Type of service contract:
Service category 5.

II.1.4) Is it a framework agreement?
No.

II.1.5) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:
Open tender for the provision of TV services related to the monthly press conferences of the ECB and for the provision of Web-cast Services.

II.1.6) Description/object of the contract:
The European Central Bank (the ECB) is seeking tenders from qualified companies (the tenderers) in order to procure services regarding:
lot 1) TV coverage of the ECB's monthly press conferences and, subject to approval by the ECB’s decision-making bodies, of the final panel of the fourth ECB central banking conference (4th ECB CBC), and
lot 2) services related to web casting of the press conferences mentioned under lot 1 and of any other additional events that the ECB may decide to cover.

Tenderers are free to apply for either or both lot 1 and lot 2. The scope of the contract/s is to ensure both TV and web-cast coverage of the monthly ECB press conferences but furthermore to be prepared for the case that the ECB sees the need to cover additional events.
II.1.7) Site or location of works, place of delivery or performance:
D-Frankfurt-on-Main.
NUTS code: DE712.

II.1.8) Nomenclature

II.1.8.1) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):
64200000, 92220000, 32320000.

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

II.1.9) Division into lots:
Yes. Tenders may be submitted for 1, several or all lots.

II.1.10) Will variants be accepted:
Yes. With the limitation foreseen in the tender documents.

II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:
Lot 1: TV coverage:
service 1.1: filming and provision of a satellite signal to TV stations;
service 1.2: production of TV footage, broadcasting via satellite and on demand;
service 1.3: archiving of the complete events and of the TV footage in original quality on DVD (DL).
Lot 2: web casting:
service 2.1: streaming video including audio (live, on-demand and video pod cast);
service 2.2: streaming audio only (live, on-demand and audio pod cast);
service 2.3: archiving of and delivering to the ECB the complete range of audio and video on-demand files in TV quality.

II.2.2) Options. Description and time when they may be exercised:
In relation to lot 2: any additional events that the ECB may decide to cover will be part of this contract.

II.3) Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:
The contract shall be for a period of 2 years with the possibility of renewal at the option of the ECB for a further period of up to 2 years. It is expected that the contract will commence on 1.9.2006.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required

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 services 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 services that will be performed by single companies shall be specified.

III.2) Conditions for participation:
Tenderers shall:
(a) have the financial, technical and human resources necessary to meet this ITT’s requirements and in particular fulfil the minimum requirements as specified in part 2;
(b) have the management organisation and procedures capable of sustaining reliable and consistent production in order to meet the deadlines imposed by the ECB as specified in part 2; and
(c) have previously provided similar services;
(d) appoint a person with good English skills to liaise with the ECB.

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 in contract documents.

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

IV.3.3) Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:
16.6.2006 (12:00).

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:
English. 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

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: