ECB - Façade Mock-up (D-Frankfurt-on-Main)

2007/S 9-009011

Information notice

Works

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: Mr Alberto Molon, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Fax (49-69) 13 44 68 80. E-mail: new_ecb_premises-procurement@ecb.int. URL: www.ecb.int.

I.2) Address from which further information can be obtained:

I.3) Address from which documentation may be obtained:
Not applicable.

I.4) Address to which tenders/requests to participate must be sent:
As in I.1).

I.5) Type of contracting authority:
EU institution.
The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no.

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.1) Type of works contract:
Execution.

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

II.1.5) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:
Façade Mock-up.

II.1.6) Description/object of the contract:
The European Central Bank (ECB) is planning to construct its new premises in Frankfurt-on-Main, Germany. For this purpose the ECB has conducted an architectural competition and awarded the first prize to the design concept of COOP HIMMELB(L)AU, Vienna (Austria). The Project has now entered the planning phase, where the architect and special planners refine the prize-winning design. As part of the planning process, and on the basis of the current status of the façade planning, the ECB intends to award a contract on the construction of a 3-dimensional mock-up façade model including different types of façade in a limited tender procedure (3-quote
procedure according to the ECB procurement rules).
In order to establish a shortlist of qualified bidders for these services, the ECB calls on qualified bidders to express their interest in participating in the tender procedure by submitting a comprehensive application in accordance with the rules set out below for the provision of works and related services for the construction of a mock-up façade for the new ECB premises, consisting of a complete building envelope such as façade erection works, roof works, provision of a supporting steel substructure including a concrete foundation, basic building services (e.g. electricity, rain water system) and optionally interior fit-out works.

II.1.7) **Site or location of works, place of delivery or performance:**
D-Frankfurt-on-Main.
NUTS code: DE 712.

II.1.8) **Nomenclature**

II.1.8.1) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
28812000.

II.1.9) **Division into lots:**
No.

II.1.10) **Will variants be accepted:**
Yes.
Alternative offers will only be accepted in addition to a main offer which meets all the requirements requested in the tender. They will only be considered in the evaluation if the alternative solution is of equal or higher merit than the main offer. The burden of proof regarding the merit of the alternative offer shall be on the tenderer.

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

II.2.1) **Total quantity or scope:**
Overall description:
erection of a sample high rise glass façade (2 floors) consisting of various façade types in a complex geometry (as described below) as part of a complete building envelope (building mock-up) mounted on a raised steel structure. The 2 building levels will be accessed via a steel stair. The structure and enclosure should prove the possibility for further completion works (interior fit-out works as sample rooms). The fit-out works will be an optional part of the herewith described construction measure. Supporting steel structure:
the supporting steel structure mounted on a concrete foundation will provide a table construction to elevate the 2 enclosed levels, stiffened by diagonal bracing, and a frame structure with stiff corners for the 2 enclosed levels. The floors will be made up by trapezoidal metal sheets covered with a levelling layer to provide a walkable surface.
Façade works:
the façade works include the full enclosure of the building, consisting of 3 different types of sample façades in different complex geometries (HP ('hyperbolic paraboloid') surface, inclination) and the corresponding façade joints, as well as further enclosures of the building, such as roof, underside and vertical opaque enclosure with door openings.
Further Works and services:
the further works include:
— preparation and installation of the construction site,
— a steel stair providing vertical access,
— electric installations (e.g. for light as well as an electric heating system),
— rain water installations,
— concrete works,
— sealing works,
— optional: interior fit-out works (e.g. walls, doors, suspended ceilings, floors).

II.3) **Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:**
4 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:**
Details may be provided in the request for quote (RFQ), which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

III.1.2) **Main terms of financing and payment and/or reference to the relevant provisions:**
Details may be provided in the request for quote (RFQ), which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

III.1.3) **Legal form to be taken by the grouping of suppliers, contractors or service providers to whom the contract is awarded:**
Temporary groupings of companies with a view to obtaining a contract to perform services may be established.

III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) **Information concerning the personal situation of the contractor, supplier or service provider and information and formalities necessary for the evaluation of the minimum economic, financial and technical capacity required:**
The application shall comprise the following information:
— company profile and organisation, including the range of expertise and type of services provided,
— a selection of at least 3 reference projects with a similar scope as described under point II.2) above. The information shall include a brief description of the size, scope, costs, results and duration of each project,
— the number of staff/consultants employed and details of their organisation by function or team; geographical location of the company.

If an interested company cannot provide adequate experience in all of the work areas requested by itself it is invited to present an alternative concept for providing these works (e.g. subcontracting/temporary grouping). All correspondence must be in writing. Applications must be in the English language.

Applications must be signed by an authorised person and sent together with all the documentation requested in this paragraph in a sealed envelope to the address mentioned in point I.1). The envelope shall be clearly marked with ‘NEP-Tender T064 façade mock-up’.

If applicants send their applications by fax or email, they must also send a hard copy of the application (which fulfils all requirements of this section) by surface mail or by courier; the hard copy must be sent before the deadline for receipt of applications. In this case, the ECB will consider the postmark date or the courier’s receipt as evidence that applicants have sent their applications in due time.

In any event, in addition to the paper version, applicants are requested to enclose a copy of their application on a CD, preferably in Microsoft Word/Powerpoint/Excel or Adobe Acrobat format.

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:
3-quote procedure.

IV.1.1) Have candidates already been selected?
No.

IV.1.2) Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure:
Not applicable.

IV.1.3) Previous publication concerning the same contract:
Not applicable.

IV.1.3.1) Prior information notice concerning the same contract:
Not applicable.

IV.1.4) Envisaged number of suppliers which will be invited to tender:
Minimum: 3.
The selection criteria are as follows:
the shortlist shall be established on the basis of the following criteria:
— general qualification: experience and expertise with regard to the entire work described under point II.2),
— specific qualification (experience and expertise) with regard to the façade works described under point II.2),
— adequacy for the assignment with regard to experience and expertise of the company in façade works as described under point II.2),
— capability to provide the requested works.

IV.1.5) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue:
Not applicable.

IV.2.1) Award criteria:
The most economically advantageous tender in terms of criteria as stated in contract documents.

IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used:
No.

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.1) Reference number attributed to the file by the contracting authority:
Tender 064.

IV.3.2) Conditions for obtaining contract document and additional documents:
Not applicable.

IV.3.3) Time-limit for receipt of requests to participate:
29.1.2007 (12:00), CET.

IV.3.4) Dispatch of invitations to tender to selected candidates:
Estimated date: 5.2.2007.

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

IV.3.7) Conditions for opening tenders
IV.3.7.1) Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders:
Not applicable.

IV.3.7.2) Date, time and place:
Place: at ECB premises.

Section VI: Other information

VI.1) Is this notice non-mandatory?
Yes.

VI.2) If applicable, indicate whether this procurement is recurrent, and the estimated timing for further notices to be published:
Not applicable.

VI.3) Does the contract relate to a project/programme financed by EU funds?
No.

VI.4) Additional information:
All information provided in the applications will remain confidential and will be treated as such within the ECB. Only complete applications will be taken into account. The ECB will notify all applicants of the outcome of their application. The ECB reserves the right to request further information from applicants after their application has been submitted, and to request updated information from all or selected applicants after a certain period of time. Applicants that are shortlisted must inform the ECB of any changes in their situation with regard to the criteria for inclusion on the list so that their application can be kept up-to-date. The ECB is not responsible if it is not notified of a change of address and therefore mail does not arrive at its destination.

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

VI.6.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures:
European Central Bank, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Fax (49-69) 13 44 75 03. E-mail: procurement@ecb.int. URL: www.ecb.int.

VI.6.2) Lodging of appeals:
Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:
2 weeks after receipt of rejection letters by non-selected candidates.

VI.6.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained:
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