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**Germany-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - Provision of structured finance and covered bond cash flow modelling and ABS market prices data services  
2014/S 188-330934**

**Contract notice**

**Services**

Directive 2004/18/EC

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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

European Central Bank  
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For the attention of: Ramón van Deelen  
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GERMANY  
E-mail: [procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu)  
Fax: +49 6913447110

**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.ecb.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**

European institution/agency or international organisation

**I.3) Main activity**

Economic and financial affairs

**I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities**

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:**

Provision of structured finance and covered bond cash flow modelling and ABS market prices data services.

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

Services  
NUTS code DE712

**II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)**

The notice involves a public contract

**II.1.4) Information on framework agreement**

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

The European Central Bank (ECB) is seeking for suitable suppliers for the provision of structured finance and covered bond cash flow modelling and asset-backed securities (ABS) market prices data services. The scope of the services to be provided is divided into 3 different lots:

lot 1: the ECB requires access to data and tools to theoretically price and assess the likelihood of principal/interest losses on structured finance securities and covered bonds;

lot 2: the ECB requires access to information on current and historical ABS-traded prices and indicative quotes for European ABS markets;

lot 3: the ECB requires access to a tool to create hypothetical ABS deals and assess their cash flows, theoretical prices and related risks.

Each lot shall be awarded separately. For further details, please refer to the call for applications.

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

72322000, 72321000, 72311100, 72311200

II.1.7) **Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

II.1.8) **Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

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

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

The scope of the services to be provided is divided into 3 different lots. Each lot shall be awarded separately. Candidates may apply for 1 lot or for more lots. Selected candidates may submit an offer in the award phase of the procurement for 1 lot or for more lots. However, selected candidates may only submit an offer for the lot(s) for which they have applied in the selection phase of the procurement. For each lot, the ECB aims at concluding a contract with at least 1 contractor. A contractor may conclude multiple contracts with the ECB, being for each of the individual lots 1 contract. The contracts have an envisaged starting date in November 2014 and have a duration of 4 years.

II.2.2) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.3) **Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

**Information about lots**

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Lot 1: ABS and covered bond cash flow modelling and theoretical pricing tool

1) **Short description**

The ECB requires access to data and tools to theoretically price and assess the likelihood of principal/interest losses on structured finance securities and covered bonds. For further details, please refer to the call for applications.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

72311100, 72311200

- 3) **Quantity or scope**  
As set out in the call for applications.
- 4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**  
Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Lot 2: Current and historical ABS market prices

- 1) **Short description**  
The ECB requires access to information on current and historical ABS-traded prices and indicative quotes for European ABS markets. For further details please refer to the call for applications.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**  
72322000, 72321000
- 3) **Quantity or scope**  
As set out in the call for applications.
- 4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**  
Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Lot 3: ABS structuring tool

- 1) **Short description**  
The ECB requires access to a tool to create hypothetical ABS deals and assess their cash flows, theoretical prices and related risks. For further details, please refer to the call for applications.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**  
72311100, 72311200
- 3) **Quantity or scope**  
As set out in the call for applications.
- 4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**  
Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

5) **Additional information about lots**

**Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

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

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

No deposit required.

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

Payment arrangements in line with the terms and conditions of the contract. Please see the details in the tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.

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

The establishment of a temporary grouping of companies is allowed under the conditions laid down in the invitation to tender. Temporary groupings do not need to have a specific legal form but will be jointly and severally liable for all obligations under the contract. Please see the details in the tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.

- III.1.4) **Other particular conditions**  
The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no
- 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 the requirements are met: Please see the details in the tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.
- III.2.2) **Economic and financial ability**  
Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Those requested in the call for application.  
Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: Those requested in the call for application.
- III.2.3) **Technical capacity**  
Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:  
Those requested in the call for application.  
Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:  
Those requested in the call for application.
- III.2.4) **Information about reserved contracts**
- III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**
- III.3.1) **Information about a particular profession**
- III.3.2) **Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

**Section IV: Procedure**

- IV.1) **Type of procedure**
- IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**  
Accelerated negotiated
- IV.1.2) **Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**  
Envisaged number of operators: 6  
Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Those requested in the call for application.
- IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue**
- IV.2) **Award criteria**
- IV.2.1) **Award criteria**  
The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated below  
1. Quality. Weighting 75  
2. Price. Weighting 25
- IV.2.2) **Information about electronic auction**  
An electronic auction will be used: no
- IV.3) **Administrative information**
- IV.3.1) **File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**  
PRO-000097.
- IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**  
no
- IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**  
Payable documents: no

- IV.3.4) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**  
16.10.2014 - 18:00
- IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**  
English.
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) **Information about European Union funds**

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

VI.3) **Additional information**

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

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

User name: 000097/S/ETS/2014

Password: C3D662

After you have 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 tender documentation.

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

[procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu) quoting the procurement number and problem experienced.

The ECB shall endeavour to answer all queries concerning access as quickly as possible but cannot guarantee a minimum response time. The ECB shall not be bound to reply to queries received less than 7 calendar days before the time limit for the submission of tenders.

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.

The tender procedure is conducted in accordance with ECB Decision 2007/5 laying down the rules on procurement (as amended), available on the ECB website at <http://www.ecb.europa.eu> (please look for the link 'for suppliers').

During the tender procedure, tenderers shall not contact any other ECB staff members or organisations/ persons working for the ECB with regard to this tender procedure other than the person indicated in Section I.1). Tenderers shall also not contact potential competitors unless they intend to form a temporary grouping with them or to involve them as subcontractors. Any violation of this communication rule may lead to the exclusion of the tenderer in question.

VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures**

Procurement Review Body of the ECB, c/o Legal Advice Team  
Kaiserstraße 29

60311 Frankfurt-on-Main  
GERMANY  
E-mail: [legaladviceteam@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:legaladviceteam@ecb.europa.eu)  
**Body responsible for mediation procedures**  
The European Ombudsman  
1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403  
67001 Strasbourg  
FRANCE

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals: 15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 28(3) of ECB Decision 2007/5 laying down the rules on procurement or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers. Further requirements are outlined in Article 33 of this Decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

VI.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

Central Procurement Office  
Kaiserstraße 29  
60311 Frankfurt-on-Main  
GERMANY  
E-mail: [procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu)

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

24.9.2014