Germany-Frankfurt am Main: Digital Euro Consultancy
2022/S 229-660886

Contract award notice

Results of the procurement procedure

Services

Legal Basis:
Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority
I.1) Name and addresses
Official name: European Central Bank
Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22
Town: Frankfurt am Main
NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt
Postal code: 60314
Country: Germany
Contact person: Mr Giuseppe Bitti
E-mail: procurement@ecb.europa.eu
Telephone: +49 69/13440
Internet address(es):
Main address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

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:
Digital Euro Consultancy
Reference number: PRO-007480

II.1.2) Main CPV code
66171000 Financial consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract
Services

II.1.4) Short description:
Through this negotiated procedure the European Central Bank (ECB) was seeking suppliers for the provision of consultancy services for digital euro design, business model and realisation with regard to the investigation – and eventually realisation – phase of a digital euro. The ECB awarded five framework contracts to the suppliers offering the best value for money.

II.1.6) Information about lots
This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7) **Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**  
Value excluding VAT: 20 000 000.00 EUR

II.2) **Description**

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**  
72221000 Business analysis consultancy services  
72222300 Information technology services  
73200000 Research and development consultancy services  
73210000 Research consultancy services  
79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services  
79410000 Business and management consultancy services  
79411100 Business development consultancy services  
79900000 Miscellaneous business and business-related services

II.2.3) **Place of performance**  
NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt  
Main site or place of performance:  
Mainly on the ECB premises in Frankfurt am Main area and/or from locations within the EEA.

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**  
Through this procurement, the ECB was seeking to acquire strategic partners for consultancy services that allow the delivery of excellent, strategic capabilities to support solving complex questions that are not only new to the ECB but also globally in the context of central banking digital currencies (CBDCs).  
The services to be provided under the scope of this tender procedure are related to:  
• the investigation phase of the digital euro project; and  
• subject to the decision of the ECB Governing Council to continue the project after the investigation phase – realisation phase of the digital euro project

II.2.5) **Award criteria**  
Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60  
Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) **Information about options**  
Options: no

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 IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**  
Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**  
The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**  
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2) **Administrative information**

IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**
Notice number in the OJ S: 2022/S 040-099799

IV.2.8) **Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

IV.2.9) **Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Title:**
Accenture GmbH

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**

V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:**
20/10/2022

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**
Number of tenders received: 9
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**
Official name: Accenture GmbH
Town: Kronberg im Taunus
NUTS code: DE71A Main-Taunus-Kreis
Country: Germany
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Total value of the contract/lot: 20 000 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Title:**
Bearing Point GmbH

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**

V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:**
24/10/2022

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**
Number of tenders received: 9
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**
Official name: Bearing Point GmbH
Town: Frankfurt am Main
NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt
Country: Germany
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Total value of the contract/lot: 20 000 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Title:**
Deloitte Consulting GmbH
A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**
V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:** 24/10/2022
V.2.2) **Information about tenders**
Number of tenders received: 9
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**
Official name: Deloitte Consulting GmbH
Town: Frankfurt am Main
NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt
Country: Germany
The contractor is an SME: no
V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Total value of the contract/lot: 20 000 000.00 EUR
V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Title:**
Oliver Wyman GmbH
A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**
V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:** 21/10/2022
V.2.2) **Information about tenders**
Number of tenders received: 9
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no
V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**
Official name: Oliver Wyman GmbH
Town: Frankfurt am Main
NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt
Country: Germany
The contractor is an SME: no
V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**
Total value of the contract/lot: 20 000 000.00 EUR
V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Title:**
Roland Berger GmbH
A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**
V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:** 26/10/2022
V.2.2) Information about tenders
Number of tenders received: 9
The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Official name: Roland Berger GmbH
Town: Munich
NUTS code: DE212 München, Kreisfreie Stadt
Country: Germany
The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)
Total value of the contract/lot: 20 000 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information:
The total values of the procurement and contracts indicated in Section II.1.7) and Sections V.2.4) are an indicative non-binding spending estimate at the time of contract award.
The actual value of the contracts may differ and will be determined by actual business needs, up to a maximum value of EUR 20 000 000 for all contracts.
The estimated value indicated per contract for multi-supplier framework agreements in each case represents the total value of the overall procurement, as the value of orders awarded per contractor may not be determined upfront.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body
Official name: Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team
Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22
Town: Frankfurt am Main
Postal code: 60314
Country: Germany
E-mail: LegalServices@ecb.europa.eu
Telephone: +49 6913440
Fax: +49 6913446886
Internet address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures
Official name: The European Ombudsman
Postal address: 1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403
Town: Strasbourg Cedex
Postal code: 67001
Country: France

VI.4.3) Review procedure
Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:
Within 10 days of receipt of the notification in accordance with Article 34(1) or the first sentence of Article 34(3) of Decision ECB/2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement, as amended. Further requirements are outlined
in Article 39 of this Decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**
Official name: Central Procurement Office of the European Central Bank
Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22
Town: Frankfurt am Main
Postal code: 60314
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E-mail: procurement@ecb.europa.eu
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Internet address: http://www.ecb.europa.eu

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
21/11/2022