Market survey for the managed services of the SDMX Global registry.

I. Scope and aim of the market survey

The Directorate General Statistics of the European Central Bank (ECB) is launching a market survey to identify suppliers that can manage the day to day operation of the SDMX Global Registry.

The aim of this survey is to identify sufficiently skilled and experienced suppliers with solid experience in the area of SDMX and cloud based services.

This market survey is being carried out for information purposes only and does not form part of a formal procurement procedure.

II. Background information

1. Business Area: The Directorate General Statistics (DG/S) acting on behalf of a consortium of international organisations (partners) who have developed the Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange (SDMX) standard for institutions to exchange data.

2. Global Registry: On behalf of the SDMX partners, the ECB provides the resources to maintain the SDMX Global Registry (GR) and the SDMX website. The GR is based on Fusion registry on which further information can be found by visiting the developers website (www.metadatatechnology.com)

The Global Registry contains the Data Structure Definitions (DSDs) for datasets which have been agreed upon by all members of the consortium, so far this includes Balance of Payments Methodology 6 (BPM6) and System of National Accounts (SNA).

3. Required services:

The main tasks will be

- Upgrading the Global Registry to Metadata Technology's Fusions Registry 9 (community version)
- Maintaining the current an upgraded GR
- Maintaining the SDMX website
- Hotline function for the GR and website

Suppliers interested in participating in this market survey are invited to submit their proposals in English to mark.boxall@ecb.europa.eu

Please note the following:

- all proposals should be as complete and substantiated as possible,
- all proposals should include detailed information on the potential services
- all proposals should include information on the relevant contact persons

III. How to participate in the market survey

IV. Follow-up to the market survey

Participation in this survey does not constitute any obligation on the part of the ECB to invite the participants in the market survey to participate in any future ECB procurement procedure, to award them a contract, or to reimburse them for any expenses incurred in completing this market survey.

Closing date: 17 August 2018

Please note that the ECB collects market information on suitable and interested suppliers from many different sources. Therefore, certain suppliers could be invited even if they did not participate in this market survey.