ECB - T069 preliminary works for the new ECB premises (D-Frankfurt-on-Main)

2007/S 141-174026

Contract notice

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s):
European Central Bank, attn: Mr Horst Roman-Müller, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main.
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new_ecb_premises-procurement@ecb.int.

Internet address(es):
General address of the contracting authority (URL): www.ecb.int.

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 and main activity or activities:
European institution/agency or international organisation.
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:
T069 preliminary works for the new ECB premises.

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance:
Works.
Design and execution.
Main site or location of works:
ECB, D-Frankfurt-on-Main.
NUTS code: DE 712.

II.1.3) The notice involves:
A public contract.

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s):
The European Central Bank (ECB) tenders the preliminary works for the construction of the new ECB premises
to 1 contractor. The works and services to be provided comprise demolition works, excavation for the pit,
sheeting works, foundation piles of the high-rise building, as well as parts of the related execution planning.
The new ECB premises will be built on the site of the former wholesale market hall in the eastern part of
D-Frankfurt-on-Main (Sonnemannstraße). The site comprises approximately 120 000 m².

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):
II.1.7) **Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):**
No.
Companies from States which are parties to the GPA are invited to participate in the tender under the same conditions as EU Member States.

II.1.8) **Division into lots:**
No.

II.1.9) **Variants will be accepted:**
Yes.
Alternative offers will only be accepted for trades or areas defined by the ECB in the invitation to tender (ITT), which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

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

II.2.1) **Total quantity or scope:**
The tender includes the following preliminary works for the new ECB premises:
— chapter 0 — site equipment,
— chapter 1 — works for the pit and sheeting,
— chapter 2 — construction of the foundation piles of the high-rise building,
— chapter 3 — demolition of the annex buildings of the wholesale market hall,
— chapter 4 — demolition of the south ramp of the wholesale market hall,
— chapter 5 — disposal of contaminated building material of the annex buildings of the wholesale market hall,
— chapter 6 — special requirements of the monument preservation authority,
— chapter 7 — execution planning and management.
Transportation and disposal of soil will be provided by another contractor tendered in parallel (tender 081).

II.2.2) **Options:**
Yes.
Details will be provided in the ITT which will be sent to the shortlisted candidates.

II.3) **Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:**
Duration: 8 months from the award of the contract.

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

III.1.1) **Deposits and guarantees required:**
The successful tenderer will be required to provide appropriate securities in the form of bank guarantees of the performance (in the order of magnitude of 10% of the contract volume) and for the warranty phase (in the order of magnitude of 5% of the contract volume). Details will be given in the ITT.

III.1.2) **Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them:**
The successful tenderer will be paid in accordance with a payment plan. The payment plan will foresee appropriate security retention (up to 10% of the payment) which can be exchanged against the performance guarantee mentioned in point III.1.1 above. Details will be given in the ITT.

III.1.3) **Legal form to be taken by the grouping of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**
Temporary groupings of companies with a view to obtaining a contract may be established under conditions set out in the application form.

III.1.4) **Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject:**
No.
III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) **Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers:**

a. Absence of convictions for corruption as evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
b. absence of bankruptcy or similar situations evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
c. absence of convictions for an offence concerning professional conduct evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
d. absence of conviction of grave professional misconduct evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
e. compliance with social security and tax payment obligations evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration) and official evidence from social security and tax authorities;
f. absence of declaration by a court to be in serious breach of contract evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
g. absence of conflict of interest evidenced by application form Annex A (applicant's declaration);
h. absence of misrepresentation in supplying the information required by the ECB evidenced by application form Annex A (application's declaration);
i. absence of contacts with other candidates or tenderers with the purpose of restraining competition evidenced by application form Annex A (application's declaration).

The qualifying criteria as mentioned before have to be fulfilled by all members of a temporary grouping.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

Financial soundness, as evidenced by:
a. statement of the candidate's accumulated total net turnover of the last 3 financial years available (2004/2005/2006);
b. presentation of balance sheets or extracts from the balance sheets, where publication of the balance sheets is required under the law of the country in which the economic operator is established.

The criterion has to be fulfilled by all members of a temporary grouping.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

a. Experience in comparable construction works for the sheeting and the piles and demolition works and disposal of contaminated building material, as evidenced by application form, Annex A (applicant’s declaration) and Annex C (reference projects);
b. sound organisational structure, as evidenced by a draft organisation chart for the project.

The criteria must be fulfilled by at least 1 member of a temporary grouping.

III.2.4) **Reserved contracts:**

No.

**Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Type of procedure**

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Negotiated.

Candidates have already been selected: no.

IV.1.2) **Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate:**

Envisaged number of operators:

Envisaged minimum number: 5, maximum number: 8.
Each criterion for choosing the limited number of candidates:
The applicant's financial soundness, general experience and expertise, assessed on the basis of the information requested in points III.2.2 and III.2.3 above.

IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue:**
Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated: yes.

IV.2) **Award criteria**

IV.2.1) **Award criteria:**
The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated below:
criteria; weighting:
1. financial terms; 70 %;
2. expected quality of works and services; 20 %;
3. compliance with the ECB's contract terms; 10 %.

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

IV.3) **Administrative information**

IV.3.1) **File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**
T069 Preliminary Works.

IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:**
No.

IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document:**
Time-limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents:
20.8.2007 (12:00), CET.
Payable documents: no.

IV.3.4) **Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:**
21.8.2007 (12:00), CET.

IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitation 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.3.8) **Conditions for opening tenders:**
Tenders shall be opened shortly after the deadline for receipt of tenders has expired, at the address in point I.1. Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no.

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **This is a recurrent procurement:**
No.

VI.2) **Contract related to a project and/or programme financed by Community funds:**
No.

VI.3) **Additional information:**
Application documents are available in the tender forum on the ECB web site. All interested companies are invited to register in the forum and download the application documents. Questions to the ECB should be submitted exclusively via the tender forum.
The tender procedure will be conducted in accordance with the ECB procurement rules under the principles of transparency, equal access, publicity and equal treatment, with the overall objective of obtaining best value for money for the ECB.

The ECB welcomes widespread international competition and invites all interested suppliers, including temporary groupings, to participate in the tender procedure.

The contract shall be governed by and interpreted under German civil law.

If a company relies on the capacities of other entities as subcontractors, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them, it must prove to the ECB that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary, for example, by producing an undertaking by those entities to that effect. Under the same conditions, a group of economic operators may rely on the capacities of participants in the group or of other entities.

VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures:**
European Central Bank, Kaiserstraße 29, D-60311 Frankfurt-on-Main. Tel. (49-69) 13 44-0, switchboard. Fax (49-69) 13 44-6000. E-mail: procurement@ecb.int. URL: [www.ecb.int](http://www.ecb.int).

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals:**
Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:
15 calendar days from receipt of the notification to unsuccessful bidders.

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
13.7.2007.