SUPPLY PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Framework Contract for the Supply of High Visibility Items No. 3

Kosovo

1. Publication reference

EuropeAid/131737/D/SUP/XK/Framework Contract for the Supply of High Visibility Items No. 3 (PROC/286/11)"

2. Procedure

Open International

3. Programme

Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 04 February 2008, on the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo, (hereafter "EULEX Kosovo") as amended by JA 2009/445/CFSP and by Council Decision 2010/322/CFSP.

4. Financing

Contract No CFSP/2010/46/EULEX Kosovo – Bout de Marnhac

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5. Contracting authority

The Head of EULEX Kosovo

CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

6. Description of the contract

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¹ See Paragraph 2.3.6 of Practical Guide to Contract procedures for EU external actions. http://ec.europa.eu/europeaid/work/procedures/implementation/practical_guide/documents/2008new_prag_final_en.pdf

- a. The subject of the framework contract is to settle the terms governing the supply and delivery of "High Visibility Items" by the Contractor (see the draft contract, special clauses, and Annex II and III of the Tender Dossier for the relevant description of the items and the yearly estimated quantities that may be ordered during the duration of the framework contract): in five (5) lots at EULEX Kosovo, Pristina, DAP2,
- b. The framework contract shall be concluded for a period of **2 (two) years** with effect on the date on which it enters into force, (although the Framework contract may be terminated at short notice. See article 36 of the special conditions of the draft contract).
- c. The contracting authority may, at its own discretion extend this framework contract. Such extension shall be made under negotiated procedure. The contract may only be extended once, such that the duration of extension does not exceed the duration of the initial framework contract. Any extension will be conditioned and limited by the Mission's mandate, the availability of corresponding budgetary funds and the satisfactory fulfillment of its obligations by the contractor.
- d. The signature of the framework contract imposes no obligation on the Contracting Authority to purchase any of the quantities estimated in Annex II and III of the "tender dossier". Deliveries shall only take place following the issuance by the contracting authority of "purchase orders", specifying the list of items intended to be supplied with their respective quantities.
- e. Deliveries of items shall take place within 40 (fourty) days after the receipt by the contractor of a "purchase order.

7. Number and titles of lots

Lot 1	PPIO High Visibility Items	
Lot 2	Berets	
Lot 3	Armlets	
Lot 4	Flags	
Lot 5	Stickers	

TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

8. Eligibility and rules of origin

Participation in tendering is open to all legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) or tenderers which are established in a Member State of the European Union in an official candidate country, or a country that is a beneficiary of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance, in a Member State of the European Economic Area, a country of

² /DAP (delivery at place) - Incoterms 2010 International Chamber of <u>Commerce - http://www.iccwbo.org/incoterms/id3040/index.html</u>

the Western Balkans region or a contributing third state, as authorized by Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 04 February 2008 on EULEX KOSOVO as amended by JA 2009/445/CFSP and by Council Decision 2010/322/CFSP). The participation is also open to international organisations. The participation of natural persons is directly governed by the specific instruments applicable to the programme under which the contract is financed.

No rule of origin is applied.

9. Grounds for exclusion

Tenderers must submit a signed declaration, included in the Tender Form for a Supply Contract, to the effect that they are not in any of the situations listed in point 2.3.3 of the Practical Guide to contracts procedures for EU external actions.

10. Number of tenders

Tenderers may submit only one tender per lot. Tenders for parts of a lot will not be considered. Any tenderer may state in its tender that it would offer a discount in the event that its tender is accepted for more than one lot. Tenderers may not submit a tender for a variant solution in addition to their tender for the supplies required in the tender dossier.

11. Tender guarantee

Tenderers must provide a tender guarantee of (see below table with the amount per lot) when submitting their tender. This guarantee will be released to unsuccessful tenderers once the tender procedure has been completed and to the successful tenderer(s) upon signature of the contract by all parties. This guarantee will be called upon if the tenderer does not fulfil all obligations stated in its tender.

Lot 1	PPIO Visibility Items	€ 580	Lot 1
Lot 2	Berets	€ 460	Lot 2
Lot 3	Armlets	N/A	Lot 3
Lot 4	Flags	N/A	Lot 4
Lot 5	Stickers	N/A	Lot 5

No tender guarantee is required for Lots 3, 4 and 5

12. Performance guarantee

The successful tenderer will be asked to provide a performance guarantee of 10% (ten %), of the yearly (maximum) amount of the framework contract at the signing of the contract. This guarantee must be provided together with the return of the countersigned contract no later than 30 days after the tenderer receives the contract signed by the Contracting Authority. If the selected tenderer fails to provide such a guarantee within this period, the contract will be void and a new contract may be drawn up and sent to the tenderer which has submitted the next cheapest compliant tender.

13. Information meeting and/or site visit

No information meeting/site visit is planned.

14. Tender validity

Tenders must remain valid for a period of 90 days after the deadline for submission of tenders.

15. Period of implementation of tasks

The framework contract will enter into force on the date of its signature by both parties, but it will be only be implemented by means of "purchase orders" i.e. deliveries shall take place within **40** (fourty) days after the receipt by the contractor of a "purchase order".

SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

16. Selection criteria

The following selection criteria will be applied to tenderers. In the case of tenders submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. item 3 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract). In case of tenderer being a public body, equivalent information should be provided.
 - a) The average turnover of the tenderer for the last two (2) years must exceed the amount of its financial proposal for the lot(s) tendered. (I.e. exceed the aggregated value of the financial proposals in case several lots are tendered).
- 2) Professional capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 4 and 5 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract).
 - a) At least two (2) staff currently work for the tenderer in fields related to this contract.
- 3) Technical capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 5 and 6 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract)
 - a) The tenderer has worked successfully on at least two projects for the supply of Visibility Items in the past three years.
 - b) Out of the two above mentioned projects (a), one must be directly related to the subject of the lot(s) tendered e.g. for lots 2 and 3 and 4 the project(s) consisted in the supply of visibility items made of textiles; for lot 5, the project(s) was for the supply of stickers etc.

An economic operator may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. Some examples of when it may *not* be considered appropriate by the Contracting Authority are when the tender rely in majority on the capacities of other entities or when they rely on key criteria. If the tender rely on other entities it must prove to the Contracting Authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing an undertaking on the part of those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility and notably that of nationality, as the economic operator. Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in the tender in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be furnished when requested by the Contracting Authority.

17. Award criteria

Price.

TENDERING

18. How to obtain the tender dossier

The tender dossier is available from the following Internet address: https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome. The tender dossier is also available from the Contracting Authority at: http://www.eulex-kosovo.eu/en/tenders/. Tenders must be submitted using the standard Tender Form for a Supply Contract included in the tender dossier, whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.

Tenderers with questions regarding this tender should send them in writing to <u>tenders@eulex-kosovo.eu</u> or to EULEX Procurement Section, Main Warehouse Compound, Zona Industriale Veternik, 10000 Pristina, Kosovo; (mentioning the publication reference shown in item 1) at least 21 days before the deadline for submission of tenders given in item 19.

The Contracting Authority must reply to all tenderers' questions at least 11 days before the deadline for submission of tenders. Eventual clarifications or minor changes to the tender dossier shall be published at the latest 11 days before the submission deadline on the EuropeAid website at https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome and EULEX website at: http://www.eulex-kosovo.eu/en/tenders/.

19. Deadline for submission of tenders

On **22 November 2011 at 15:00 hrs**, (Kosovo time zone) at EULEX, Procurement Section, Main Warehouse Compound, Zona Industriale Veternik, (opposite Gorenje Hotel,next to fuel station), 10000 Pristina, Kosovo.

Any tender received after this deadline will not be considered.

20. Tender opening session

21. On **22 November 2011 at 15:30 hrs**, (Kosovo time zone) at EULEX, Procurement Section, Main Warehouse Compound, Zona Industriale Veternik, (opposite Gorenje Hotel,next to fuel station), 10000 Pristina, Kosovo.

22. Language of the procedure

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

23. Legal basis

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24. Additional Information

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