

B-Brussels: towards a European eInfrastructure for eScience digital repositories (INFSO 2006/0044)

2006/S 88-092641

Contract notice

Section I: Contracting authority

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

European Commission, Directorate-General Information Society and Media, attn: Elina Zicmane, J54 02/139, B-1049 Brussels. Contact point: Mr Ulf Dahlsten. Tel. (32-2) 299 49 31. Fax (32-2) 296 83 62. E-mail: INFSO-RI-STUDY-DIGITAL-REPOSITORY@cec.eu.int.

Internet address(es):

General address of the contracting authority (URL): http://www.europa.eu.int/information_society/index_en.htm.

Address of the buyer profile (URL):

<http://cordis.europa.eu.int/ist/rn/home.html>.

Further information can be obtained from:

European Commission, Directorate-General Information Society and Media, attn: Ms Elina Zicmane, J-54 01/93, B-1049 Brussels. Contact point: Unit F3. Tel. (32-2) 295 20 77. Fax: (32-2) 299 31 27. E-mail: INFSO-RI-STUDY-DIGITAL-REPOSITORY@cec.eu.int. URL: <http://cordis.europa.eu.int/ist/rn/home.html>.

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

European Commission, Directorate-General Information Society and Media, attn: Ms Elina Zicmane, J-54 01/93, B-1049 Brussels. Contact point: Unit F3. Tel. (32-2) 295 20 77. Fax: (32-2) 299 31 27. E-mail: INFSO-RI-STUDY-DIGITAL-REPOSITORY@cec.eu.int. URL: <http://cordis.europa.eu.int/ist/rn/home.html>.

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:

European Commission, Directorate-General Information Society and Media, attn: Mr Mario Campolargo, Rue de Genève 1, B-1140 Brussels. Contact point: Unit F3. Tel. (32-2) 296 34 79. Fax: (32-2) 299 31 27. E-mail: INFSO-RI-STUDY-DIGITAL-REPOSITORY@cec.eu.int. URL: <http://cordis.europa.eu.int/ist/rn/home.html>.

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:

Towards a European eInfrastructure for eScience digital repositories (INFSO 2006/0044).

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

Services.

Service category: No 10.

Main place of performance: Brussels.

NUTS code: BE 10.

II.1.3) **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 subject of the contract is to provide a reliable overview of the situation in Europe concerning digital repositories of eScience information, data and knowledge. To achieve that, the contractor will interface relevant scientific communities in different Member States and analyse their approach in developing digital repositories of experimental data sets, journals, theses and associated information. An important aspect of the study will be to collect information and analyse the degree of interoperability of the different approaches and technologies and study possible scenarios to build upon common requirements and synergies so that a layer of digital repositories can develop as part of the European Research infrastructure.

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

73200000.

II.1.7) **Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):**

No.

II.1.8) **Division into lots:**

No.

II.1.9) **Variants will be accepted:**

No.

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

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

One study covering all Member States.

Estimated value excluding VAT: EUR 280 000.

II.2.2) **Options:**

No.

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) **Conditions relating to the contract**

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

See tender specifications.

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

See tender specifications.

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

Not applicable.

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:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender specifications.

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

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender specifications.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender specifications.

III.2.4) **Reserved contracts:**

No.

III.3) **Conditions specific to services contracts**

III.3.1) **Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession:**

No.

III.3.2) **Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service:**

Yes.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Type of procedure**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure:**

Open.

IV.2) **Award criteria**

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document.

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**

IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:**

Yes.

Prior information notice.

Notice number in OJ: [2006/S 045-046795](#) of 7.3.2006.

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- 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: 7.6.2006 (16:00).
Payable documents: no.
- IV.3.4) **Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:**
14.6.2006 (16:00).
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up:**
Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Slovak, Slovene, Spanish and Swedish.
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:**
Duration: 9 months from the date stated for receipt of tenders.
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening tenders:**
Date: 21.6.2006 (10:00).
Place: Rue Joseph II 54, B-1000 Brussels.
Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes.

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.2) **Contract related to a project and/or programme financed by EU funds:**
Yes.
IST programme.
- VI.3) **Additional information**
- VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**
- VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**
28.4.2006.