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**D-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - 17068/IS/INO/2011 Internet access services  
2011/S 113-185236**

**Contract notice**

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.ecb.int>

**Further information can be obtained at:**

As in abovementioned contact point(s).

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

As in abovementioned contact point(s).

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:**

As in abovementioned 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:**

17068/IS/INO/2011 Internet access services.

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

Service category: No 7.

Main place of performance: ECB, Frankfurt-on-Main.

NUTS code: DE712.

**II.1.3) The notice involves:**

A public contract.

**II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s):**

Contracting of the Internet access line according to the description in the call for application document (Section I) and specifications which will be sent to the candidates invited to the second phase of the tender.

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

72400000.

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

Yes.

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

Yes.

Tenders should be submitted for: 1 or more lots.

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

No.

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

II.2.2) **Options:**

Yes.

Description of those options: possibility of extension of the contract.

Number of possible renewals: range: between 0 and 1.

In the case of renewals of supplies or service contracts, estimated time-frame for subsequent contracts: in months: 12.

II.3) **Duration of the contract or time limit for completion:**

Duration in months: 60 (from the award of the contract).

**Information about lots**

Lot No 1

Title: 17068/IS/INO/2011 Internet access services — lot 1

1) **Short description:**

Contracting of the Internet access line according to the description in the call for application document (Section I) and specifications which will be sent to the candidates invited to the second phase of the tender.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

72400000.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion:**

Duration in months: 60 months, with the possibility to extend for an additional year (from the award of the contract).

Lot No 2

Title: 17068/IS/INO/2011 Internet access services — lot 2

1) **Short description:**

Contracting of the Internet access line according to the description in the call for application document (Section I) and specifications which will be sent to the candidates invited to the second phase of the tender.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**

72400000.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion:**

Duration in months: 60 months, with the possibility to extend for an additional year (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:**

No deposit is required, but where applicable, the successful tenderer (or in the case of a successful consortium bid, each member of the consortium) may be required to provide a parent-company guarantee.

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:**

Those requested in the call for application.

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

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

Those requested in the call for application.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Those requested in the call for application.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

Those requested in the call for application.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

Those requested in the call for application.

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 persons 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**

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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 minimum number: 3 and maximum number: 8.

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

The candidate's general capacity to carry out the requested services in terms of economic, financial, technical and human resources (as outlined in the Section III, point 4 of the call for application).

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.

Following the evaluation of the written tenders the ECB may invite tenderers for a presentation and negotiations.

The negotiations may be carried out as consecutive negotiations in the order of the tenderers' ranking or as parallel negotiations with several tenderers who best meet the award criteria.

IV.2) **Award criteria**

IV.2.1) **Award criteria:**

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.

1. Technical offer. Weighting: 60.

2. Economic offer. Weighting: 40.

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:**  
'17068/IS/INO/2011 Internet access services'.
- IV.3.2) **Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:**  
No.
- IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document:**  
Suppliers who are interested to take part in this tender are required to:  
— download the call for applications and the application form from the following Internet site: [http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/archive/html/tenderdoc\\_internet\\_line.en.html](http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/archive/html/tenderdoc_internet_line.en.html)  
— provide the ECB (at [procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu)), immediately after downloading the documents, with a valid contact e-mail address. This shall be used by the ECB to keep all interested parties aware of potential further communications on this tender that the ECB may need to disclose until the deadline for the submission of tenders.  
In addition, such potential further communications will also be published on the aforementioned Internet site. It is foreseen that, after choosing the limited number of candidates that will be invited to submit a tender, the tender documentation will also be published on an Internet site. Such documentation will include the detailed requirements, procedural rules and contractual terms and conditions.  
Payable documents: no.
- IV.3.4) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:**  
11.7.2011.
- IV.3.6) **Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up:**  
English.  
Other: Applications shall be submitted in English. Information on reference projects and relating information may be submitted in English. External supporting documents, for example company registrations and certificates, may be submitted in their original language. The ECB may request the candidate to provide a certified translation.
- IV.3.7) **Minimum time-frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:**  
Duration in months: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender).
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening tenders:**  
Place: Tenders shall be opened shortly after the deadline for receipt of tenders has expired, at the address in I.1.  
Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no.  
Members of staff of the ECB only.

#### **Section VI: Complementary information**

- VI.1) **This is a recurrent procurement:**  
Yes.  
Estimated time for further notices to be published: Prior to expiration of contract resulting from this tender.
- VI.2) **Contract related to a project and/or programme financed by EU funds:**  
No.
- VI.3) **Additional information:**  
The tender procedure is conducted in accordance with Decision ECB/2007/5 of 3.7.2007 laying down the rules on procurement (OJ L 184, 14.7.2007, p. 34) as amended by Decision ECB/2009/2 (OJ L 51, 24.2.2009, p. 10) and Decision ECB/2010/8 (OJ L 238, 9.9.2010, p. 14), all published on <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/tenders/html/index.en.html>

VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

VI.4.1) **Body responsible for appeal procedures:**

European Central Bank, Procurement Review Body of the ECB, c/o Legal Advice Team, Kaiserstraße 29, 60311 Frankfurt-on-Main, GERMANY. Tel. +49 691344-0. Fax +49 691344-6886. E-mail: [legaladviceteam@ecb.int](mailto:legaladviceteam@ecb.int)  
Internet: <http://www.ecb.int>

VI.4.2) **Lodging of appeals:**

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:

15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 28(3) of the ECB procurement rules (see Section VI.3) or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers.

Further requirements are outlined in Article 33 of the ECB procurement rules (see Section VI.3).

The complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the submission deadline nor does it create a new deadline by which complaints can be submitted.

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

3.6.2011.