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**Germany-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - Provision of services related to advice on art activities of the ECB  
2014/S 228-401871**

**Contract notice**

**Services**

Directive 2004/18/EC

**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.europa.eu>

Electronic access to information: <https://www.ecb.europa.eu/secure/procurement/>

**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**

European institution/agency or international organisation

**I.3) Main activity**

Economic and financial affairs

**I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities**

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:**

Provision of services related to advice on art activities of the ECB.

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

Services

Service category No 26: Recreational, cultural and sporting services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: Frankfurt-on-Main.

NUTS code DE712

**II.1.3) Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)**

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

**II.1.4) Information on framework agreement**

Framework agreement with several operators

maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged: 3

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in months: 24

**Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement**

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 600 000 and 800 000 EUR

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

Provision of services related to advice on art activities of the ECB.

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

75124000, 92320000

**II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

**II.1.8) Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

**II.1.9) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

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

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

The Directorate Administration, Division Premises of the ECB is in close cooperation with the ECB's Art Committee, responsible for the management of the existing ECB art collection as well as the organisation and execution of regular art exhibitions. The ECB's art collection comprises artworks representing the different cultures of the members of the Eurosystem and reflecting different media of artworks. Furthermore, the ECB has works of art on loan. For the organisation of art exhibitions held at its premises, the ECB liaises with National Central Banks, which contribute to these exhibitions.

The ECB is now looking for providers who can support the ECB with regard to curatorial/strategic and conceptual work related to different fields of art (hereinafter referred to as the 'Services').

The ECB intends to award up to 3 framework contracts, if available, for an initial period of 24 months with a unilateral option for the ECB to extend the duration of the framework agreement up to 24 additional months.

The overall duration of the framework agreement shall not exceed 4 years. The envisaged start date of the contract(s) is 1.5.2015.

The successful tenderers will be part of a pool of contractors to whom orders will be awarded based on the ranking system determined as a result of this procurement procedure. The ECB will always request the first ranked contractor to provide the services. If the first ranked contractor is not available or declines, the ECB will immediately contact the second and hereafter the third ranked contractor until the order is awarded.

**II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: no

**II.2.3) Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Number of possible renewals: 2

In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts:  
in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

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

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

**III.1) Conditions relating to the contract**

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

No deposit required.

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

Payment arrangements in line with the terms and conditions of the contract. Please see the details in the tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.

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

The establishment of a temporary grouping of companies is allowed under the conditions laid down in the invitation to tender. Temporary groupings do not need to have a specific legal form but will be jointly and severally liable for all obligations under the contract. Please see the details in the tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.

**III.1.4) Other particular conditions**

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: 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 the requirements are met: Please see the details in the application/tender documentation to be requested from the contact point indicated in Sections I.1 and VI.3.

**III.2.2) Economic and financial ability**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Tenderers shall complete Annex 3 to the invitation to tender.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: The tenderers' economic and financial capacity will be assessed on the basis of their financial situation (turnover and profit and loss) during the last 3 financial years. As a minimum, tenderers shall have had, in the last 3 financial years, an accumulated net total turnover of at least 200 000 EUR with services/supplies covered by the contract. Temporary groupings may add the respective turnover of their members.

**III.2.3) Technical capacity**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

Tenderers shall complete Annex 3 and Annex 6 to the invitation to tender.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

The tenderer shall confirm having 2 consultants at its disposal each that shall be available to deliver the services and, with reference to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages, shall have as a minimum a C1 level in both German and English at all levels (listening, reading, speaking and writing).

Tenderers shall confirm the capacity to provide 2 employees/consultants whose deployment to the ECB would not constitute a violation of any statutory or contractual working restrictions, particularly regarding the staff to be deployed be in compliance with the cooling off periods established by the ECB, please refer to <http://www.ecb.europa.eu> under the link 'for suppliers'.

**III.2.4) Information about reserved contracts**

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

**III.3.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2) **Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

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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Open

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

IV.1.3) **Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue**

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

IV.2.2) **Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3) **Administrative information**

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

000133/A/PRE/2014.

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

no

IV.3.3) **Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document**

IV.3.4) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

12.1.2015 - 18:00

IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations 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.3.7) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date: 13.1.2015

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) **Information about European Union funds**

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

VI.3) **Additional information**

The documentation for this procurement can be downloaded from an Internet platform. If you are interested in participating in the procurement procedure, please register via the Internet platform using the following Internet address, user name and password:

Internet address: <https://www.ecb.europa.eu/secure/procurement/>

User ID: 000133/A/PRE/2014

Password: 18B100

After you have registered, an e-mail will be sent to you with a new user name and password. The Internet address will remain the same. Please use the new user name and password to download the tender documentation.

Should you experience any problems in accessing the Internet platform for registration and/or downloading the application documentation please do not hesitate to contact us under the following e-mail address: [procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu) quoting the procurement number and problem experienced.

The ECB shall endeavour to answer all queries concerning access as quickly as possible but cannot guarantee a minimum response time. The ECB shall not be bound to reply to queries received less than 7 calendar days before the time limit for the submission of tenders.

The tender procedure shall be open on equal terms to all natural or legal persons resident or located in the European Union and to all natural and legal persons resident or located in a country which has ratified the World Trade Organisation Agreement on Government Procurement or has concluded with the European Union a bilateral agreement on procurement under the conditions laid down in the said agreements.

The tender procedure is conducted in accordance with ECB Decision 2007/5 laying down the rules on procurement (as amended), available on the ECB website at <http://www.ecb.europa.eu> (please look for the link 'for suppliers').

During the tender procedure tenderers shall not contact any other ECB staff members or organisations/ persons working for the ECB with regard to this tender procedure other than the person indicated in Section I.1. Tenderers shall also not contact potential competitors unless they intend to form a temporary grouping with them or to involve them as subcontractors. Any violation of this communication rule may lead to the exclusion of the tenderer in question.

#### VI.4) **Procedures for appeal**

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

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team  
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Fax: +49 6913446886

##### **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

European Ombudsman  
1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman  
67001 Strasbourg  
FRANCE

##### 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 ECB Decision 2007/5 laying down the rules on procurement 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 this Decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

##### VI.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

Central Procurement Office  
Sonnemannstraße 22  
60314 Frankfurt-on-Main  
Telephone: +49 6913440

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

14.11.2014