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**Germany-Frankfurt-on-Main: ECB - Provision of flower  
arrangements and plants including their care and maintenance  
2014/S 090-156161**

**Contract notice**

**Supplies**

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>

**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 flower arrangements and plants including their care and maintenance.

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

Supplies

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 a single operator

**Duration of the framework agreement**

Duration in months: 48

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

The ECB is seeking a supplier for the delivery of flower arrangements and plants including their care and maintenance within the ECB buildings; Eurotower (ET), Eurotheum (EM), Commerzbank (CB), Japan Centre (JC) and for the headquarters of the European Central Bank at the new ECB premises (NEP). The flower arrangements are to ornament the welcome desks in the common areas as well as the dining tables of the visitor restaurant. The plants are to improve the overall office environment of executive staff and common areas. The watering and maintenance of the plants should happen according to the plants' needs.

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

03121200, 03451000

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

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

**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:**

**II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: no

**II.2.3) Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 48 (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:**

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

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

**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: Tenderers shall state in their declaration of honour (included in Annex 3) that they meet the eligibility criteria. Prior to the award of contract, the ECB will request the best-ranked tenderer to submit the documents listed in the tender submission form. Upon the ECB's request, the best-ranked tenderer shall submit these documents within 1 week. Failure to comply with this requirement will lead to the exclusion of the tender. Tenderers shall inform the ECB without undue delay if any circumstances arise after the submission of their tender that may affect their eligibility.

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

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: Tenderers shall state in their declaration of honour (included in Annex 3) that they meet the eligibility criteria. Prior to the award of contract, the ECB will request the best-ranked tenderer to submit the documents listed in the tender submission form. Upon the ECB's request, the best-ranked tenderer shall submit these documents within 1 week. Failure to comply with this requirement will lead to the exclusion of the tender. Tenderers shall inform the ECB without undue delay if any circumstances arise after the submission of their tender that may affect their eligibility.

**III.2.3) Technical capacity**

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

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

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

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

**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 below

1. Experience and qualification as well as English language skills of the team. Weighting 10
2. Measures to ensure punctuality of delivery including a proposal for reaction times for short notice and unforeseen orders. Weighting 10
3. Concept for ensuring the freshness of the flowers/plants. Weighting 10
4. Creativity of flower arrangements based on sample photos. Weighting 5
5. Range and availability of flowers/plants from environment-friendly and sustainable production. Weighting 5

**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:**

29293/A/ADS/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**

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 10.6.2014 - 18:00

Payable documents: no

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

10.6.2014 - 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**

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/login.html>

User ID: 29293/A/ADS/2014

Password: B690D3

After having 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 documentation. Should you experience any problems in accessing the Internet platform for registration and/or downloading the 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 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 ECB shall exclude tenderers that are in one of the situations described in Article 24(4) of Decision ECB/2007/5 (e.g. conviction for fraud or corruption) or put on a blacklist in accordance with Article 24(7) of Decision ECB/2007/5.

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Further information about ECB procurement rules and procedures may be obtained at <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**

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team

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GERMANY

Telephone: +49 6913440

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**Body responsible for mediation procedures**

The European Ombudsman

1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403

67001 Strasbourg Cedex  
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 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.4.3) **Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

See above

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

30.4.2014