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**Germany-Frankfurt am Main: Dynamic Purchasing System
for the Offsetting of the ECB's Greenhouse Gas Emissions
2022/S 177-499693**

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: European Central Bank
National registration number: PRO-006760
Postal address: Sonnemannstrasse 22
Town: Frankfurt am Main
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I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html>
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Dynamic Purchasing System for the Offsetting of the ECB's Greenhouse Gas Emissions
Reference number: PRO-006760

II.1.2) Main CPV code

90731210 Purchase of CO2 emission credits

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Services

II.1.4) **Short description:**

Since 2010, the ECB implements an environmental management system (EMS) in accordance with the international standard ISO 14001:2015 and Regulation (EC) No 1221/2009, as amended by Regulation (EU) 2017/1505 and 2018/2026. The priority of the ECB remains to prevent greenhouse gas emissions wherever possible, limiting emissions in areas in which they cannot be avoided. Where emissions cannot be further limited and as greenhouse gas emissions cannot currently be reduced to zero, the ECB decided to offset its greenhouse gas emissions expressed in tonnes of CO₂ equivalent as a complementary measure to its mitigation efforts (2021: 16 023,2 tonnes of CO₂). The ECB envisages launching a dynamic purchasing system with a duration of initially two years, extendable at the ECB's option by another two years (total duration up to four years).

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 600 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: DE712 Frankfurt am Main, Kreisfreie Stadt

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

The European Central Bank (ECB) is seeking interested suppliers to be admitted to the dynamic purchasing system for the offsetting of the ECB's greenhouse gas emissions (PRO-006760). The dynamic purchasing system shall become effective 30 calendar days following the date on which the contract notice was sent to the Official Journal of the European Union (i.e. effective date is 4 October 2022) and remain valid and open for applications throughout an initial duration of two (2) years, extendable at the ECB's option. In any event, the total duration of the dynamic purchasing system shall not exceed four (4) years.

At any time during the term of the dynamic purchasing system, interested suppliers can register via the ECB's electronic tendering system (see Section I.3) of this contract notice). Upon their registration, they will have access to the relevant documents (RfX) and can download the application documents, which the interested suppliers shall prepare and submit in accordance with the instructions set out in the application documents. Provided the interested suppliers meet the eligibility criteria and comply with the selection criteria (as detailed in the application documents), the ECB will admit them to the dynamic purchasing system (the 'Tenderers'). During the term of the dynamic purchasing system, the tenderers may improve their applications at any time, provided that they continue to comply with the conditions of this dynamic purchasing system. They shall inform the ECB without undue delay of any changes affecting their eligibility or capacity to perform the specific contracts under the dynamic purchasing system. The ECB may also request the tenderers to submit updated evidence regarding their eligibility. The conditions for the competitive tenders under the dynamic purchasing system are set out in the application documents.

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of offsetting credits relating to environmental benefits and monitoring requirements / Weighting: 20 %

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of offsetting credits relating to sustainable development goal indicators and qualitative standard / Weighting: 15 %

Quality criterion - Name: Variety of project packages / Weighting: 5 %

Price - Weighting: 60 %

II.2.6) **Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: 600 000.00 EUR

II.2.7) **Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Duration in months: 24

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The initial duration of 24 months is extendable at the ECB's option. The total duration of the dynamic purchasing system may not be longer than 48 months.

II.2.10) **Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

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

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2) **Administrative information**

IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date: 03/10/2024

IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) **Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) **Additional information:**

This tender procedure is conducted via the ECB's electronic tendering system (e-tendering) which can be accessed via the following internet address:

<http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/sourcing/html/index.en.html>

If you have not used the ECB's electronic tendering system before, you need to register via the above link (click on 'Register'). Subsequently to the registration, you will receive an automated notification with your user credentials to log in (click on 'Login') and to access the tender documentation. Please note that:

— A registration to the above system is only required once and you can reuse your user credentials in all future procedures of the ECB which are conducted via the above system. Therefore, please keep your user credentials for the future;

— In case you should have participated in previous ECB tender procedure(s) in the past which were conducted via the ECB's prior online system, you nevertheless need to register once to the ECB's electronic tendering system under the above address;

— Your mere registration does not constitute an application/tender. You must submit your application/tender via the ECB's electronic tendering system as further instructed in the application/tender documentation.

The system reference number for the above procurement is: RFX-PT-2022-000060: PRO-006760-R1-Offsetting GHG emissions

To download the tender documents, log on to the ECB's electronic tendering system with your login and password. Expand the field 'Public Tenders – Upcoming Events'. Click on 'Click to request an invitation to this event' for the above procedure and close the new window which opens. Once the request is completed (this can take a few minutes), the status of the participation request will change to 'Invited' and the RFX documentation will be accessible via the RFX tab.

Under the above link you also find user guides for detailed information on how to use the system and contact details for technical support.

Should you require technical help when using the system, please contact the ECB's technical support team at sourcing.support@ecb.europa.eu by quoting the reference number and the problem experienced.

Any other queries relating to this procurement procedure and the content of the procurement documentation shall be submitted as message via the ECB's e-tendering system (under the tab 'Discussion').

The ECB endeavours to answer all queries as quickly as possible but cannot guarantee a minimum time response. The ECB shall not be bound to reply to queries received less than seven 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 Decision ECB/2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement (as amended), available at

<https://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/legal/1001/procurement/html/index.en.html>

And in EUR-Lex:

<https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX:02016D0002-20200501>.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team
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VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Official name: The European Ombudsman
Postal address: 1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman, CS 30403
Town: Strasbourg Cedex
Postal code: 67001
Country: France

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Within 10 days of receipt of the notification in accordance with Article 34(1) or the first sentence of Article 34(3) of Decision ECB/2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement, as amended. Further requirements are outlined in Article 39 of this decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Official name: Central Procurement Office of the European Central Bank c/o Legal Advice Team
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VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

02/09/2022