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(Notices)

COMMISSION

Tender Prosoma Esprit

Open call for tenders No III-95-47 for the development and provision of services relating to presentation of selected outcomes, providing multimedia access to Esprit results (Prosoma Esprit)

(95/C 264/11)

1. **Name and address of the awarding authority:**
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2. **Category of services and description:** Provision of information services on EC-funded research and technological development (RTD) activities in the information technology (IT) programme (Esprit).

2.1 Introduction and background

The Directorate General for Industry, through its directorate for research and technological development in information technologies, is planning an action to improve the industrial impact of the IT programme by creating an ongoing virtual technology exhibition documenting the innovative results of the programme and presenting application scenarios.

2.2. Work specification

Prosoma Esprit should have an open architecture capable of coping with an evolving computing and communications environment. It shall provide access to relevant information provided by the EC RTD information service Cordis. It must initially provide a hybrid implementation (on CD-ROMs plus Internet) and must be capable of evolving into a fully on-line server-based implementation connected to the World-Wide Web.

The present call for tender concerns:

2.2.1. the development, implementation and operation of a general multimedia information base to describe the results of the Esprit programme: an orderly collection (including updating services) of

information held on various media and available for use for multiple purposes related to dissemination and technology transfer;

2.2.2. the development, implementation and operation of a multimedia, multilingual showcase (including delivery software and multimedia content) with extended operational functionalities;

2.2.3. maintenance of hardware and software for 2.2.1. and 2.2.2., and adaptation to new operating environments;

2.2.4. provision of a content production service;

2.2.5. provision of a service for information collection, editing, integration and quality control of the content;

2.2.6. provision of a service for packaging content and preparation of master copy for reproduction and distribution through Commission services and through the Internet from a Commission-run server.

The tender must include the provision of hardware, software and operational resources.

The tender must be compliant with the requirements, including functionality, usability and technical standards, as indicated in the specifications attached to the invitation to tender, which provide a detailed description of what is required.

3. **Place of delivery:** The services will be performed at the contractor's premises and the results delivered to the awarding authority, the address of which is indicated in 1 above.
4. **Regulatory/administrative restrictions of tenders:** Not applicable.
5. **Division into lots:** Tenderers must bid for all the services specified above and be prepared to provide them as an integrated set.
6. **Acceptance of variants:** No variant is possible.

7. **Duration of contract:** The proposed contract will be for 2 years with the possibility of two 1-year extensions, taking the total contract period to a maximum of 4 years.
8. **Requests for documents:**
- Interested parties should request, before the deadline specified under 8. b) below, the invitation to tender and the specifications attached to the invitation to tender from the address in 9. b).
 - The final date for receipt of requests for the specifications attached to the invitation to tender is 1 week before the final date for receipt of tenders, specified in 9. a).
9. a) **Final date for receipt of tenders:** 52 calendar days from the date of this publication.
- b) **Address:** Submission of tenders should be by mail to the address in 1, or by special delivery to the address below:
- Prosoma Esprit Tender, EC IT Information Office, Boulevard du Souverain 191, B-1160 Brussels.
- In either case the tender should be marked for the attention of Mr Peter Baur.
- Submissions by facsimile or e-mail are not acceptable.
- c) **Language:** Tenders should be drawn up in 1 of the official languages of the European Community.
10. **Opening of tenders:** In Brussels, 7 calendar days after the final date specified in 9. a).
11. **Deposits and guarantees:** On the signing of the contract, a bank guarantee equivalent to the advance payment to be made by the Commission shall be required.
12. **Payments procedure:** The rules relating to the tender and to the payments procedure are set out in the document: 'General terms and conditions applicable to contracts concluded by the Commission', which is attached to the specifications. The contract will be fixed price for the services under 2.2.1. and 2.2.2. (except for the acquisition of hardware, the cost of which will be reimbursed against the submission of invoices) and will be on the basis of time and means for the services under 2.2.3., 2.2.5. and 2.2.6. Services under 2.2.4. should be priced in the tender but will not be contracted directly by the Commission, as specified in the specifications attached to the invitation to tender. Payments of the fixed price part will be made as follows:
- 30 % within 60 days of the signing of the contract;
 - by instalments of 5 %, 10 %, 20 %, upon acceptance by the Commission of the milestones indicated in the specifications attached to the invitation to tender;
 - the remaining 30 % following the acceptance by the Commission of the final report.
- Payments of the non-fixed price services and of the hardware will be made within 60 days of receipt of bi-monthly invoices of amounts due.
13. **Legal form, in the case of group bidders:** One legal entity shall be responsible for the contract.
14. **Information necessary for an appraisal of the minimum economic and technical standards required of the tenderer:** Tenders may be submitted by any legal entity, whether public or private, which is established in the territory of the European Economic Area.
- Interested organizations are to provide proof of their financial and economic standing in the form of balance sheets, turnover records and statements on staffing and staff resources.
- The tender must provide details of the educational and technical qualifications of the persons which are proposed to work on the contract.
- The tenderer should demonstrate sufficient experience in providing information services and in developing state-of-the-art interactive multimedia within the past 3 years.
- The tenderer should demonstrate sufficient multilingual capability to be able to ensure that the service would meet the needs of the multilingual community it is intended to serve.
15. **Period during which the tenderer must undertake to maintain his tender:** Six months after the final date specified in 9. a).
16. **Criteria for awarding the contract:** Contract(s) will be awarded to the economically most advantageous offer assessed on the basis of:
- price;
 - understanding and compliance with the specifications;
 - future proof architecture;
 - ingenuity and creativity;
 - user-friendliness;
 - compliance with Cordis;
 - conformance to standards;
 - quality control;

- reporting and reviewing procedures;
- contract management and control.

17. **Other information:** This notice contains all the information on the basis of which interested service providers are invited to submit their request for documents, in accordance with the procedure described in 8 above.

Briefing of tenderers: For 1 day, about 3 weeks after the date of this publication. Timing and address should be requested on facsimile number or at the e-mail address specified in 1. Tenderers are advised to read the specifications attached to the invitation to tender before attending the briefing session.

18. **Date of dispatch of the notice:** 28. 9. 1995.

19. **Date of receipt by the Office for Official Publications of the European Communities:** 28. 9. 1995.

Feasibility project for the establishment of a haemovigilance network in the European Community

Invitation to tender

(95/C 264/12)

I. Subject

Based on Articles 100 a and 129 of the Treaty establishing the European Community, and taking into account Article 3 of Directive 89/381/EEC, Action 4, of Council Decision 91/317, the Conclusion 94/C15/03 of the Health Council, the Commission's Communication to the Council on Blood Safety and Self-Sufficiency and the activities to be undertaken, the European Commission intends to appoint a contractor to carry out a feasibility project on the establishment of a haemovigilance network in the European Community.

II. Objectives

The results of the project will be used by the Commission to:

- identify objectives, methods and means related to the establishment of a Community-wide haemovigilance network which would also serve to improve exchanges of information between the Member States;
- promote cooperation between the Member States on the systematic monitoring of risks and hazards associated with blood collection and transfusion and provide guidance in this respect;
- determine the measures that add value to the actions and measures of Member States and which need to be proposed to the European Commission in order to enhance the safety of the blood transfusion chain.

III. Technical specifications

1. Subject of contract

With a view to the establishment of a haemovigilance network in the European Community and taking into account current legislation at EC and Member State level, existing disease surveillance and haemo-/pharmacovigilance systems and networks as well as communication technologies in the Member States, the contractor will be required to submit to the Commission a report responding to the objectives of this project and including:

- sound determination of the objectives, the means required and functions of a haemovigilance network;
- identification and analysis of the elements to be included in a haemovigilance network as well as the information needs of the responsible authorities, blood transfusion centres and medical professionals related to minimizing risks and hazards associated with the collection and transfusion of blood and its labile components;
- the current situation in the Community regarding legal requirements and current practices for the monitoring of risks and hazards associated with blood collection and transfusion;
- proposed common definitions and standards for data collection and reporting;
- identification of the organizations that would be involved and their potential roles;