

Sintering furnace
Restricted procedure
(96/C 241/14)

1. **Awarding authority:** European Commission, DG Joint Research Centre, Institute for Transuranium Elements, Herr Bier, Postfach 2340, D-76125 Karlsruhe.

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2. a) **Award procedure:** Restricted invitation to tender in accordance with Directive 93/36/EEC, concerning the co-ordination of public supply contract award procedures (OJ No L 199 of 9. 8. 1993).

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c) **Form of contract:** Public supply contract.
3. a) **Place of delivery:** Institute for Transuranium Elements, on the site of Forschungszentrum Karlsruhe, D-76344 Eggenstein, Leopoldshafen.

b) **Description of the requirement:** Supply of a sintering furnace (1 600-1 800° C), vacuum and/or gas controlled, for pellets of nuclear fuel containing alpha, neutron and gamma emitters, with the following characteristics:

— the furnace must be designed for a sealed glove-box installation, with all operation controls situated externally,

— the operations consisting in placing and removing the pellets in/out of the furnace will be remote controlled.

c) **Division into lots:** The contract may not be divided into lots.
4. **Delivery period:** 3-6 months after placement of order.
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6. a) **Closing date for the receipt of requests to participate:** 37 days from the date of publication of this notice.
- b) **Address:** As in 1, M. Bier.
- c) **Language(s):** One Community language.
7. **Closing date for the dispatch of invitations to tender:** Immediately following the selection of candidate firms.
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9. **Selection criteria:** Candidates are required to show evidence:

a) of having delivered similar equipment for use in a nuclear environment,

b) that they are not bankrupt or being wound up, that their affairs are not being administered by a court, that they have not entered into an arrangement with creditors or who are not in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under national laws and regulations,

c) that they have fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions and taxes according to the statutory provisions of the country in which they are established.
10. **Award criteria:** Economically and technically most advantageous tender.
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13. **Other information:** Invitations to tender will comprise technical contract documents, accompanied by the general terms and conditions applicable to contracts and works carried out for the JCR, and particular conditions applicable to suppliers of the Institute for Transuranium Elements.
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15. **Date of dispatch of the notice:** 6. 8. 1996.
16. **Date of receipt by the OOEPEC:** 6. 8. 1996.