

SUPPLY PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Framework Contract for the “Supply of Servers and Storage System”

Kosovo

1. Publication reference

EuropeAid/132961/D/SUP/XK/Supply of Servers and Storage System (PROC/359/12)

2. Procedure

International Open

3. Programme

Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 04 February 2008, on the European Union Rule of Law Mission in Kosovo, (hereafter “EULEX Kosovo”) as amended by JA 2009/445/CFSP and by Council Decision 2010/322/CFSP.

4. Financing

Contract No CFSP/2011/30/EULEX Kosovo – Bout de Marnhac

This tender procedure is launched under suspensive clause i.e. provision of the supplies concerned is subject to availability of the budget funds¹

5. Contracting authority

The Head of EULEX Kosovo

CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

6. Description of the contract

The subject of the contract is the supply and delivery of Servers and Storage System by the Contractor along with the performance of some ancillary services such as: physical installation, configuration and start-up service and training (see Annex II and III of the Tender Dossier for the relevant description of the items and ancillary services), in two lots at EULEX Kosovo, Pristina, DAP2.

¹ See paragraph 2.4.12, of the Practical Guide to Contract procedures for EU external actions.

² DAP (delivery at place) - Incoterms 2010 International Chamber of [Commerce](http://www.iccwbo.org/incoterms/id3040/index.html) - <http://www.iccwbo.org/incoterms/id3040/index.html>

7. Number and titles of lots

Lot 1	Storage and virtualization platform solution
Lot 2	Disk to disk backup system

TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

8. Eligibility and rules of origin

Participation in tendering is open to all legal persons participating either individually or in a grouping (consortium) or tenderers which are established in a Member State of the European Union in an official candidate country, or a country that is a beneficiary of the Instrument for Pre-Accession Assistance, in a Member State of the European Economic Area, a country of the Western Balkans region or a contributing third state, as authorized by Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 04 February 2008 on EULEX KOSOVO as amended by JA 2009/445/CFSP and by Council Decision 2010/322/CFSP). The participation is also open to international organisations. The participation of natural persons is directly governed by the specific instruments applicable to the programme under which the contract is financed.

No rule of origin is applied.

9. Grounds for exclusion

Tenderers must submit a signed declaration, included in the Tender Form for a Supply Contract, to the effect that they are not in any of the situations listed in point 2.3.3 of the Practical Guide to contracts procedures for EU external actions.

10. Number of tenders

Tenderers may submit only one tender per lot. Tenders for parts of a lot will not be considered. Any tenderer may state in its tender that it would offer a discount in the event that its tender is accepted for more than one lot. Tenderers may not submit a tender for a variant solution in addition to their tender for the supplies required in the tender dossier.

11. Tender guarantee

Tenderers must provide a tender guarantee of (**see below table with the amount per lot**), when submitting their tender. This guarantee will be released to unsuccessful tenderers once the tender procedure has been completed and to the successful tenderer(s) upon signature of the contract by all parties. This guarantee will be called upon if the tenderer does not fulfill all obligations stated in its tender.

Lot 1	Storage and virtualization platform solution	€ 10,000.00
Lot 2	Disk to disk backup system	€ 2,000.00

12. Performance guarantee

The successful tenderer will be asked to provide a performance guarantee of **5%** of the amount of the contract at the signing of the contract. This guarantee must be provided together with the return of the countersigned contract no later than 30 days after the tenderer receives the contract signed by the Contracting Authority. If the selected tenderer fails to provide such a guarantee within this period, the contract will be void and a new contract may be drawn up and sent to the tenderer which has submitted the next cheapest compliant tender.

13. Information meeting and/or site visit

No information meeting is planned

14. Tender validity

Tenders must remain valid for a period of 90 days after the deadline for submission of tenders.

15. Period of implementation of tasks

Deliveries shall take place within **90 (ninety) days**.

SELECTION AND AWARD CRITERIA

16. Selection criteria

The following selection criteria will be applied to tenderers. In the case of tenders submitted by a consortium, these selection criteria will be applied to the consortium as a whole:

- 1) Economic and financial capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. item 3 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract). In case of tenderer being a public body, equivalent information should be provided.
 - the average annual turnover of the tenderer must be **equal to or exceeding its financial offer** for the **last 3 years** (2009, 2010 and 2011).
- 2) Professional capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 4 and 5 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract)
 - at least **10 staff** currently work for the tenderer **in fields related to this contract**;
 - the tenderer must provide a “**manufacturer’s authorization form**” for both Lot 1 and Lot 2, stating that the tenderer is authorized to distribute, install, maintain and service the equipment.
- 3) Technical capacity of tenderer (based on i.a. items 5 and 6 of the Tender Form for a Supply Contract)
 - The tenderer has worked successfully on at least **two similar projects with a budget of at least once that of its financial offer** (taking into consideration the estimated quantities of yearly consumption), **in fields related to this contract in the past three years** (2009, 2010, 2011).

An economic operator may, where appropriate and for a particular contract, rely on the capacities of other entities, regardless of the legal nature of the links which it has with them. Some examples of when it may *not* be considered appropriate by the Contracting Authority are when the tenderer rely in majority on the capacities of other entities or when they rely on key criteria. If the tenderer rely on other entities it must prove to the Contracting Authority that it will have at its disposal the resources necessary for performance of the contract, for example by producing an undertaking on the part of those entities to place those resources at its disposal. Such entities, for instance the parent company of the economic operator, must respect the same rules of eligibility and notably that of nationality, as the economic operator. Furthermore, the data for this third entity for the relevant selection criterion should be included in the tender in a separate document. Proof of the capacity will also have to be

furnished when requested by the Contracting Authority.

17. Award criteria

Price.

TENDERING

18. How to obtain the tender dossier

The tender dossier is available from the following Internet address: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome>. The tender dossier is also available from the Contracting Authority at: <http://www.eulex-kosovo.eu/en/tenders/>. Tenders must be submitted using the standard Tender Form for a Supply Contract included in the tender dossier, whose format and instructions must be strictly observed.

Tenderers with questions regarding this tender should send them in writing to:

EULEX Kosovo – Procurement Section
Main Warehouse Compound
Industrial Zone Veternik
(opposite Gorenje Hotel, next to fuel station)
10000 Pristina, Kosovo
E-mail: tenders@eulex-kosovo.eu

(mentioning the publication reference shown in item 1) at least 21 days before the deadline for submission of tenders given in item 19. The Contracting Authority must reply to all tenderers' questions at least 11 days before the deadline for submission of tenders. Eventual clarifications or minor changes to the tender dossier shall be published at the latest 11 days before the submission deadline on the EuropeAid website at <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/europeaid/online-services/index.cfm?do=publi.welcome> and EULEX website at: <http://www.eulex-kosovo.eu/en/tenders/>.

19. Deadline for submission of tenders

On **6 September 2012 at 15:00hrs**, (Kosovo time zone) at EULEX, Procurement Section, Main Warehouse Compound, Industrial Zone Veternik, (opposite Gorenje Hotel, next to fuel station), 10000 Pristina, Kosovo.

Any tender received after this deadline will not be considered.

20. Tender opening session

On **6 September 2012 at 15:30hrs**, (Kosovo time zone) at EULEX, Procurement Section, Main Warehouse Compound, Industrial Zone Veternik, (opposite Gorenje Hotel, next to fuel station), 10000 Pristina, Kosovo.

21. Language of the procedure

All written communications for this tender procedure and contract must be in English.

22. Legal basis

Council Joint Action 2008/124/CFSP of 04 February 2008, on EULEX Kosovo as amended by JA 2009/445/CFSP and by Council Decision 2010/322/CFSP.