

Title: Green infrastructure for flood protection delivering multiple benefits

Reference: Negotiated procedure EEA/NSV/15/004

The European Environment Agency (EEA) seeks a service provider with substantial knowledge and experience to conduct a study in the domain of natural solutions (e.g. green infrastructure) to mitigate flooding. Knowledge in socio-economic issues in relation to the implementation of green infrastructure is also needed.

Type of contract:

Service contract for a duration of 7 months as from the date of its signature.

Estimated value:

EUR 60 000 excluding VAT.

Place of delivery or of performance:

Mainly at the contractor's premises with one meeting at the EEA premises in Copenhagen.

Description of the services to be procured:

The purpose of the proposed contract is to analyse various options for reducing climate change-induced risks of flooding through green infrastructure solutions, such as natural water retention measures (NWRMs), and collect evidence as to whether natural solutions provide cost-efficient flood protection when compared to traditional grey solutions. Ideally, these solutions should be considered in the context of the 2nd draft river basin management plans (RBMPs) and the flood risk management plans (FRMPs). The contractor will have to explore whether and how green infrastructure has been addressed by Member States. Besides, the study will identify and analyse in depth the arguments for improved coordination and planning between upstream and downstream areas, the potential of up-scaling best practice solutions, and perform an analysis of the economic benefits.

Scheduled starting date of contract (indicative):

May 2015.

Registration of interest:

Interested candidates shall register their interest by email to procurement@eea.europa.eu by **18.3.2015** at the latest, quoting the title and reference No of this negotiated procedure in the subject field of the message and providing the following information:

- Name (of individual or organisation/company)
- Address (of individual or organisation/company)
- Contact person
- E-mail
- Description of main area of business/expertise (max. 500 words)

Your personal information above will be processed solely for the purpose of this negotiated procedure in accordance with the rules set in Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data (OJEU L 8/1 of 12.1.2001). For further detailed information please refer to the privacy statement available on the EEA external website at the following address: <http://www.eea.europa.eu/about-us/tenders/privacy-statement>

Description of the tendering procedure:

On the basis of the pre-assessment of the information provided, the EEA will draw up a list of the most suitable candidates and will forward to all or some of them (at least three candidates) by e-mail an invitation to submit a tender in accordance with the tender specifications by a set deadline. The tender submitted will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria specified in the tender specifications. During the negotiation phase after the submission of the tenders, selected candidates may be required to adapt their tender to the requirements set in the tender specifications in order to find the solution offering the best value for money.

Candidates shall note that registration of interest to participate in the above-mentioned procedure entails no obligation on the part of the EEA to send an invitation to tenders to candidates or to award them a contract. Please note that no replies will be sent to unselected candidates.