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# Germany-Frankfurt-am-Main: ECB - Provision of an Internet Based Survey on Economic and Financial Matters Among Euro Area Consumers 2019/S 068-158400

#### Contract award notice

### Results of the procurement procedure

### **Services**

### **Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

# **Section I: Contracting authority**

1.1) Name and addresses

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- 1.2) Information about joint procurement
- 1.4) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

1.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

#### Section II: Object

- II.1) Scope of the procurement
- II.1.1) Title:

Provision of an Internet Based Survey on Economic and Financial Matters Among Euro Area Consumers Reference number: PRO-004329

II.1.2) Main CPV code

79300000

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

Provision of an internet survey on economic and financial matters among euro area consumers ("the survey").

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#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

- II.2) Description
- II.2.1) **Title:**
- II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)
- II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: DE712

Main site or place of performance:

The contractor shall perform the work on the contractor's registered office. Upon request of the ECB, the contractor shall provide (parts) of the work on the ECB's premises in Frankfurt-am-Main (DE).

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

The survey is a mixed-frequency household survey collecting qualitative and quantitative information with the purpose of measuring and closely monitoring consumer expectations and decisions on a regular basis. The survey will at least be conducted in the following euro area countries: France, Germany, Italy, and Spain (the "Main survey countries"). The ECB may optionally request the contractor to expand the survey to one or more of the other euro area countries, i.e.: Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Estonia, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, and Slovenia (the "Additional survey countries"). The survey (hereinafter referred to as the "module(s)") shall be performed under the ECB's orders in 2 different compositions as detailed below:

- "Regular modules" to be performed at monthly, quarterly and annual frequencies,
- "Ad-hoc modules" to be performed on an occasional basis.

With reference to the "regular modules", the survey will comprise a core set of questions that will be common across respondents and countries but it will also include the flexibility to field country-specific questions and to address specific questions or question phrasing to different sub-sets or groups of respondents within each country. The "regular modules" will take on average between 20 and 45 minutes to complete. In addition, the first time a respondent joins the survey, he will be asked to report some basic own and household background demographics. "Ad-hoc modules" may require additional time to be completed. The questionnaire may be subject to amendments, as flexibility is an inherent feature of the survey. The survey will track the same respondents over a given period of time, (i.e. the sample will include a panel component).

The work to be performed under the contract is further detailed in the Invitation to Tender (ITT) and the annexes to the ITT (Tender specifications, draft contract, etc.).

Unless otherwise specified in the contract, all deliverables shall be provided in English.

The contractor will be required to maintain updated knowledge and techniques in the relevant areas covered by the contract and apply the latest available technologies for the performance of the deliverables during the lifespan of the contract.

The contract will be constructed as a Framework Agreement with a single supplier within the meaning of Articles 1(9) and 18(3) of the ECB Procurement Decision ECB/2016/2. The contract will be implemented through orders according to the ordering procedure detailed in article 2 of the Contract and Section 13.5 of the ECB's General Contract Terms (GCTs), attached to the contract.

It is envisaged that the contract will start in June 2019 and will be concluded after a period of 4 years.

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of the tender / Weighting: 65 %

Price - Weighting: 35 %

## 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 IV: Procedure**

IV.1) Description

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

## IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

### 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: 2018/S 242-552107

# IV.2.8) Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

### IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

### **Section V: Award of contract**

Title:

Provision of an Internet Based Survey on Economic and Financial Matters Among Euro Area Consumers

A contract/lot is awarded: no

# V.1) Information on non-award

#### The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

### **Section VI: Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information:

The tender procedure was conducted in accordance with ECB Decision 2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement (as amended), available on the ECB website at http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/tenders/html/index.en.html

# VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team

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60314

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### VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

The European Ombudsman

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Strasbourg Cedex

67001

France

### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 34(3) of ECB Decision 2016/2 laying down the rules on procurement or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers. 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

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### VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

25/03/2019