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## INVITATION TO TENDER

**Subject:** GSA/OP/07/15 PRISMA - "DEVELOPMENT OF LOW END OPERATIONAL PRS RECEIVERS INCLUDING SECURITY MODULES ARCHITECTURES"

Reference to contract notice in the Official Journal ID-2015/S 097-174760

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The European GNSS Agency (hereinafter named as the GSA) is planning to award the public contract referred to above.
2. The objective of the Invitation to Tender is to establish multiple sourcing contracts (target is to sign four contracts in parallel) for the assessment of the path needed for the development of operational low-end Public Regulated Service (PRS) receivers including security modules and the performance of the first relevant steps in terms of requirement engineering, design and production preparation towards this objective. The expected outcomes are:
  - Full analysis of the challenges to be tackled, in particular regarding security, miniaturisation and industrialisation and compliance to user and integrator requirements
  - Identification of suitable technologies that can contribute to possible solutions to the challenges to be tackled, including innovative technologies to be explored in the future
  - Full set of consolidated requirements able to fulfil the low end operational needs validated by user communities and receiver integrators
  - A consolidated design of operational low-end receiver including security module
  - Blueprint of the two components (PRS receiver, PRS Security Module), mature enough to launch a full rate production after the completion of the contract
  - A consolidated and ready to be executed full rate production plan
  - Identification of opportunities for drafting of PRS standards

Attention is drawn on the specific conditions of participation to this call for tenders:

- In order to protect the essential interests of the security of the European Union and/or its Member States, it is considered necessary to limit the participation to this procurement as tenderers / contractors / subcontractors to legal entities established in one of the Member States of the European Union
- The economic operators will have to comply with the requirements of the PRS decision 1104/2011/EU. In particular, they shall have to be authorised by the Security Accreditation Board of the EU GNSS systems ('SAB') and their national Competent PRS Authority ('CPA').
- The activities under this contract require the handling and production of documents/assets classified up to SECRET UE. Contractor's staff shall comply with Commission Decision 2015/444/EC when handling classified data while performing their tasks.



3. Special attention of economic operators is drawn to the procedure for accessing the full tender documentation package as listed here:

ANNEX I - Tender specifications (reference No GSA/OP/07/15 rev 1.0 of 1 April 2015)

ANNEX I.A - Template Identification Sheet of the Tenderer

ANNEX I.B - Template Legal Entity Form

ANNEX I.C - Template Financial Identification Form

ANNEX I.D - Template Declaration of Honour relating to Exclusion Stage

ANNEX I.E - Template Financial Statements relating to the Selection Stage

ANNEX I.F - Template Financial Offer

ANNEX I.G - Compliance Matrix Security Aspect Letter

ANNEX I.H – Template Subcontractor Letter of Intent

ANNEX II – Draft contract

ANNEX II.III – Declaration for Background IPRs

ANNEX II.IV – Template declaration for GSA Foreground IPRs

ANNEX II.V – Template declaration for Contractor Foreground IPRs

ANNEX II.VI – Security aspects letter

ANNEX II.VII – Non-disclosure agreement

ANNEX II.VIII – Template of deliverable/supply acceptance sheet

ANNEX II.IX – Declaration on confidentiality and absence of conflict of interests

The full tender documentation shall be made available to any private company, public entity or individual registered in a Member State of the European Union within 5 (five) working days of the GSA having received a corresponding request by email to the following email address: [tenders@gsa.europa.eu](mailto:tenders@gsa.europa.eu).

The request for access to the full tender documentation shall contain a scan (Pdf-Format or similar) of the duly filled in and signed appropriate legal identification form providing evidence that the person issuing the request is registered within a Member State of the European Union. The legal identification form that shall be used to request access to the full tender documentation is attached to the present Invitation to Tender (Annex I.B).

4. The following schedule is expected to be followed in this procurement procedure:

TIMETABLE	Date	Comments
Submission for publication of Contract Notice to the supplement to the Official Journal by the GSA	11 May 2015	The Invitation to Tender and Annex I.B are available at: <a href="http://www.gsa.europa.eu/gsa/procurement">http://www.gsa.europa.eu/gsa/procurement</a>
Deadline for submission of request to enter into a non-disclosure agreement (hereafter referred to as 'NDA') for PRS and/or Non PRS information	From date of publication of Contract Notice up to 24 July 2015	In accordance with section <b>Error! Reference source not found.</b> of the Tender Specifications.  Note: PRS and/or Non PRS information is not considered strictly necessary for preparing the tenders, as stated in section 2.2.3 of the Tender Specifications.



Deadline for request of other clarifications from GSA	6 August 2015	Requests to be sent in writing only to: <a href="mailto:tenders@gsa.europa.eu">tenders@gsa.europa.eu</a>
Last date on which clarifications are issued by GSA	13 August 2015	Clarifications related to the Contract Notice, Annex I.B, or the Invitation to Tender will be published at: <a href="http://www.gsa.europa.eu/go/gsa/procurement">http://www.gsa.europa.eu/go/gsa/procurement</a> Tenderers are advised to check this webpage on a regular basis.  Any other clarification related to the tender package will be sent in writing only by email (email address: <a href="mailto:tenders@gsa.europa.eu">tenders@gsa.europa.eu</a> ) to the tenderers having requested and accessed the tender package, as per conditions set forth above.
Deadline for request to access the tender documentation package (ref. section 3 of the Invitation to Tender)	13 August 2015	Requests to be sent in writing only to: <a href="mailto:tenders@gsa.europa.eu">tenders@gsa.europa.eu</a>
<b>Deadline for submission of tenders</b>	<b>20 August 2015</b>	According to conditions of submissions set in section 4.5 of the tender specifications. Tenderers are reminded that only proposals that meet the conditions stated in section 4.5 will be authorised to participate.
Opening of the tenders	<b>28 August 2015</b>	11h00 (local time) in GSA premises in Prague.
Completion date for evaluation of tenders	September 2015	Estimated
Award decision and information	September / October 2015	Estimated
Signature of contracts	October 2015	Estimated

5. Economic operators interested in this contract are hereby invited to submit their request for access to the full tender documentation and, on that basis, submit a tender duly signed by their authorised representative, satisfying all the conditions of submission and presentation of tender described in detail in **section 4** of the tender specifications as part of the full tender document package.
6. **Submission of tenders must respect the deadline specified in the schedule above.**
7. Submission of a tender implies **acceptance of all the terms and conditions set out in this Invitation to Tender, in the tender specifications and in the draft contract** and, where appropriate, waiver of the tenderer's own general or specific terms and conditions. Submission of a tender is binding on the tenderer to whom the contract is awarded for the duration of the contract.



8. The period of validity of the tender, during which tenderers may not modify the terms of their tenders in any respect, is **nine (9) months** from the final date for submission.
9. Contacts between the GSA and tenderers are prohibited throughout the procedure save in exceptional circumstances and under the following conditions only:
  - a. Before the final date for submission of tenders:
    - At the request of the tenderer, the GSA may provide additional information solely for the purpose of clarifying the nature of the contract;
    - Any requests for additional information must be made in writing only to [tenders@gsa.europa.eu](mailto:tenders@gsa.europa.eu). The subject line of the e-mail has to quote the reference of the procurement procedure: GSA/OP/07/15 'PRISMA';
    - Requests for additional information received after deadline specified in the above schedule will not be processed (*for practical reasons*);
    - The GSA may, on its own initiative, inform interested parties of any error, inaccuracy, omission or any other clerical error in the text of the call for tenders.
  - b. After the opening of tenders:
    - If, after the tenders have been opened, some clarification is required in connection with a tender, or if obvious clerical errors in the submitted tender must be corrected, the GSA may contact the tenderer, although such contact may not lead to any alteration of the terms of the submitted tender.
10. This Invitation to Tender is in no way binding on the GSA. The GSA's contractual obligation commences only upon signature of the contract with the successful tenderer. Up to the point of signature, the GSA may either abandon the procurement or cancel the award procedure, without the tenderers being entitled to claim any compensation.

Yours faithfully,

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Executive Director