

**GR-Thessaloniki: economic and social benefits of vocational
education and training and analysis of skill mismatch**

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Contract notice

Services

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s):

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Further information can be obtained from:

the above-mentioned contact point(s).

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the above-mentioned contact point(s).

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:

the above-mentioned contact point(s).

I.2) Type of the contracting authority and main activity or activities:

European institution/agency or international organisation.

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no.

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Economic and social benefits of vocational education and training and analysis of skill mismatch.

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance:

Services.

Service category: No 08.

Main place of performance:

Contractor's premises.

NUTS code: GR122.

II.1.3) The notice involves:

The establishment of a framework agreement.

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement:

Framework agreement with a single operator.

Duration of the framework agreement: duration in years: 4.

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s):

The activities and studies envisaged in the course of the framework contract will mainly contribute to Cedefop research into the economic and social benefits of VET and on the analysis of skill mismatch.

- II.1.6) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- II.1.7) **Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA):**
Yes.
- II.1.8) **Division into lots:**
Yes.
Tenders should be submitted for: 1 or more lots.
- II.1.9) **Variants will be accepted:**
No.
- II.2) **Quantity or scope of the contract**
- II.2.1) **Total quantity or scope:**
Total budget estimation for the 4-year duration of the framework contract and for the 7 lots: EUR 1 372 800.
- II.2.2) **Options:**
No.
- II.3) **Duration of the contract or time-limit for completion:**
Duration in months: 12 (from the award of the contract).

Information about lots

Lot No 1

Title: Economic benefits of VET for individuals

- 1) **Short description:**
This research is meant to investigate the economic returns to vocational education and training for individuals. The approach to returns is dynamic and comprehensive and includes financial (wage) returns and wage profiles and the impact on employment and careers (employment chances, employment status, career advancement possibilities) in the short, medium and long terms.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- 3) **Quantity or scope:**
Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 148 500.

Lot No 2

Title: Economic benefits of VET for employers and economic sectors

- 1) **Short description:**
The question addressed in this research is: what are the net economic benefits of VET for employers and for economic sectors? Firms and sectors can draw advantage not only from their own investments in VET, but also from the VET provision which they have not financed. The aim is to analyse the specific contribution of VET (both initial and continuing) in generating economic benefits for employers and economic sectors in the short, medium and long terms.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- 3) **Quantity or scope:**
Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 187 000.

Lot No 3

Title: Economic benefits of VET at macro level and for social groups and communities

- 1) **Short description:**
The question addressed in this research is: what are the net economic benefits of investing in VET for society as a whole and for social groups and communities? The aim is to analyse the specific contribution of VET (both initial and continuing) in generating economic benefits for social groups and communities, for the society at country level and for the European Union, in the short, medium and long terms.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- 3) **Quantity or scope:**
Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 203 500.

Lot No 4

Title: Social benefits of VET for individuals

- 1) **Short description:**
This research should analyse the impacts of different programme orientation (general and vocational) and of learning at different ages and life stages on various social benefits which may accrue to individuals. The aim is to analyse the specific contribution of VET (both initial and continuing) in generating social benefits for the individual in the short, medium and long terms.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- 3) **Quantity or scope:**
Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 181 500.

Lot No 5

Title: Social benefits of VET for employers and economic sectors

- 1) **Short description:**
The question addressed in this research is: what are the social benefits of VET for employers and for economic sectors? Firms and sectors can draw advantage not only from their own investments in VET, but also from the VET provision which they have not financed. The aim is to analyse the specific contribution of VET (both initial and continuing) in generating social benefits for employers and economic sectors in the short, medium and long terms.
- 2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**
73000000.
- 3) **Quantity or scope:**
Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 193 600.

Lot No 6

Title: Social benefits of VET for social groups, communities and society

- 1) **Short description:**
This research should analyse the impacts of different programme orientation (general, vocational) and of learning at different ages and life stages on various macro-social benefits. The aim is to analyse the specific contribution of VET (both initial and continuing) in generating social benefits for social groups, communities and society in the short, medium and long terms.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**

73000000.

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 194 700.

Lot No 7

Title: Determinants and consequences of skill mismatch and policy implications

1) **Short description:**

The question addressed in this research is: how can the determinants of skill mismatch and its short-, medium- and long-term consequences be assessed at various levels of analysis and what are the implications for policy?

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):**

73000000.

3) **Quantity or scope:**

Total estimated budget available for this activity: EUR 264 000.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions relating to the contract**

III.1.1) **Deposits and guarantees required:**

See tender documents.

III.1.2) **Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them:**

See tender documents.

III.1.3) **Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**

See tender documents.

III.1.4) **Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject:**

Yes.

Any subcontracting/subcontractor must be approved by Cedefop, either by accepting the tenderer's tender, or, if proposed by the contractor after contract signature, in writing by an exchange of letters. The subcontracting/subcontractor will be accepted only if it is judged necessary and does not lead to distortion of competition. If awarded, the contract will be signed by the tenderer, who will be 'vis-à-vis' Cedefop, the only contracting party responsible for the performance of this contract.

III.2) **Conditions for participation**

III.2.1) **Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender documents.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender documents.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity:**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met:

See tender documents.

III.2.4) **Reserved contracts:**

No.

III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1) Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession:

No.

III.3.2) Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service:

Yes.

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Type of procedure

IV.1.1) Type of procedure:

Open.

IV.2) Award criteria

IV.2.1) Award criteria:

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document.

IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used:

No.

IV.3) Administrative information

IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:

AO/RPA/PDE-GUTCH-JVLOO/VETBenefits -skillmismatch/007/08.

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:

No.

IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document:

Time-limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 26.5.2008.

Payable documents: no.

IV.3.4) Time-limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate:

9.6.2008 (17:00).

IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up:

Bulgarian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Irish, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovenian, Spanish and Swedish.

IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tenders).

IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders:

23.6.2008 (11:00).

Place: Cedefop premises.

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: yes.

Each tenderer may be represented at the opening of tenders by 1 person. The name of the person attending the opening must be notified in writing by fax (Fax No (30-2310) 49 00 28) or by e-mail (C4T-services@cedefop.europa.eu) at least 2 working days prior to the opening session.

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) This is a recurrent procurement:

No.

VI.2) Contract related to a project and/or programme financed by EU funds:

No.

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

16.4.2008.