

EXPLORATORY SURVEY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

This is an exploratory survey for the identification of economic operators interested in a call for tenders - pursuant to art. 36 paragraph 2 letter b) and art. 158 of Legislative Decree 50/2016 and subsequent amendments - for the assignment of a research activities needed for satellite monitoring of cetaceans in the cross-border ITALY-FRANCE area. GIAS project - product T1.3.1. CUP code B54D19000070007.

The present notice only represents an invitation to express an interest in a non-binding way for the economic operator (the candidate). The expression of interest has the sole purpose of communicating the availability to be invited to the call for tenders.

Fondazione CIMA reserves the right to suspend, modify or cancel, in whole or in part, this procedure and not to follow up the call for the tender. Publishing said notice or receiving an expression of interest do not imply for Fondazione CIMA any obligation or commitment towards interested parties nor do they give any right to claim.

OBJECTIVE

Research activities for *i)* the identification of a feasible kit of satellite tags and *ii)* satellite marking of free-ranging Cuvier's beaked whales (*Ziphius cavirostris*) in the Ligurian Sea.

AWARD CRITERIA

The most economically advantageous tender (MEAT) criterion - pursuant to paragraph 2 art. 95 of Legislative Decree 50/2016 and subsequent amendments (Directive EC 2014/24/UE).

CONTRACT DURATION

December 31st 2021 (420 consecutive days).

TENDER PRICE BASED

€ 98.000,00 not subject to VAT.

AWARD PROCEDURE

Direct awards, within the meaning of the article 36 paragraph 2 letter b) of Legislative Decree 50 of 2016 and subsequent amendments (Directive EC 2014/24/UE).

Fondazione CIMA will invite suitable subjects who have expressed interest. Fondazione CIMA may proceed even if only a single expression of interest has been received.

The procedures for applying to the tender and for submitting the offer will be both indicated in the invitation letter.

It should be noted that these are research activities within the CPV 73300000-5 which expressly provides that:

i) the results will not belong exclusively to the contracting authority and the contracting entity, but will be disseminated in the general interest of the Country;

ii) the successful tenderer co-funding to the research activity should be at least equal to 10%.

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PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Interested entities may submit their interest shall have the following requirements:

General requirements

If an Italian entity: Referred to art. 80 of Legislative Decree 50/2016 and subsequent amendments.

If an entity from another country: compliant with the requirements provided for by the Directive EC 2014/24/UE with regard to financial and professional obligations as well as to the fulfilment of the rules concerning the contributions in favour of its personnel (with particular reference to the article 57 of the same Directive) and can, therefore, be awarded contracts by public corporate bodies.

Requirements with regard to professional competence

If applicable, to be in possession of the registration to the C.C.I.A.A. art. 83 paragraph 3 of the Code (Italian entities only).

In the case of an economic operator from *i*) another Member State or *ii*) the Countries adhering to the TRIPS agreement, a proof of registration in the official lists of the Research Institutes /operators (recognized by the Country of residence) is required.

Technical and economic requirements

- To have successfully deployed Digital Acoustic Recording Tags (DTAG) and/or Fastloc Satellite Tags on free-ranging Cuvier's beaked whales;
- To have a minimum annual global turnover - referred to at least one of the last three financial years - of € 98.000,00.

Rest assured that the request for expression of interest does not replace any declaration or proof of possession of the requirements for the purpose of awarding the service; the requirements will be requested during the call for tenders and verified by the CIMA Foundation during the tender.

SUMISSION OF THE EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Fill the model attached to this notice (attachment A) and address it exclusively to:

selezionicimafoundation@pec.it

mail subject:

DOMANDA DI PARTECIPAZIONE PER INVITO alla procedura di affidamento diretto, ai sensi dell'art. 36 comma 2 lettera b) e dell'art.158 del d.lgs 50/2016 e smi, per l'affidamento dell'attività di ricerca per il monitoraggio satellitare di cetacei nell'area transfrontaliera Italia - Francia. Progetto GIAS - prodotto T1.3.1 . Codice CUP B54D19000070007

The expression of interest shall be signed by the legal representative of the economic operator and accompanied by the Identity Document.

The expression of interest shall be submitted by April the 2nd 2020, 1.00 p.m. italian time (GMT+1).



CLARIFICATIONS

Any clarifications can be requested within **March 27th 2020, 5p.m. italian time (GMT+1)** to the following email address: massimiliano.rosso@cimafoundation.org
Replies will be published on the website as attachment to the notice before the deadline.

USE OF PERSONAL DATA

Please be informed that according to law 196/2003 and EU regulation 679/2016 the data will be processed by Fondazione CIMA only for the purposes of selecting personnel.

Savona, 17th of March 2020

Management Director
Luisa Michela Colla

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Luisa Michela Colla".