Spain-Vigo: Call for Expression of Interest with a View to Compile a List of Experts to support EFCA Activities in Relation to Capacity Building and Coastguard Related Functions
2021/S 119-311588


Individuals or organisations who are interested in having their name entered on a list of potential contractors are invited to submit an application in accordance with the rules set out below.

Upon examination of the applications received the contracting authority will draw up a list of candidates or potential contractors who may be invited to reply to specific invitations to tender in the future.

Each time a specific contract is to be concluded the contracting authority will send the specifications to all or some of the applicants on the list, selected on the basis of special criteria for the contract concerned.

The list drawn up following this notice will be used solely for contracts whose estimated value is below the thresholds laid down in the relevant EU public procurement Directives. Inclusion on a list of potential contractors does not guarantee in any way that the contracting authority will invite any contractor to tender for any contract.

Section I: Contracting authority

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

Official name:
European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA), Vigo, SPAIN
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Internet address(es)
General address of the contracting authority (URL): http://www.efca.europa.eu/
Electronic access to Information (URL): http://www.efca.europa.eu/
Electronic Submission of applications (URL):
https://www.efca.europa.eu/en/content/cei2021-01-application-form
Further information can be obtained from:
• The above mentioned contact point(s)
Specifications and additional documents can be obtained from:
• The above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

European institution/agency or international organisation

I.3) Main activity

General Public Services

I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: No
Section II: Object of the call for expressions of interest

II.1) Title attributed to the call for expressions of interest:
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II.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance
Service category No:
27 Other Services
Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance:
The tasks will be carried out at the premises designated by the EFCA and agreed by the expert. Where appropriate, tasks may be carried out remotely using electronic communication tools. Where necessary, further details will be specified according to the tasks and circumstances.
NUTS code: ES114

II.3) Description of the field or fields covered by the call for expressions of interest:
Through the establishment of a list of experts, EFCA aims to cover its needs for expertise that may arise in the framework of its capacity-building activities and Cooperation on coast guard functions (CGF) at EU level. This concerns the specific fields as listed below:

1) Field No 1: coast guard functions expert:
(a) required area of expertise:
*Coast Guard Functions (CGF):
I. Maritime safety, including vessel traffic management;
II. Maritime, ship and port security;
III. Maritime customs activities;
IV. The prevention and suppression of trafficking and smuggling and connected maritime law enforcement;
V. Maritime border control;
VI. Maritime monitoring and surveillance;
VII. Maritime environmental protection and response;
VIII. Maritime search and rescue;
IX. Ship casualty and maritime assistance Service;
X. Maritime accident and disaster response;
XI. Fisheries inspection and control; and
XII. Activities related to the above CGF expertise at national and/or EU level;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• practical CGF experience at national or EU level of at least 5 years;
• experience in drafting or contributing to the development of procedures or guidelines for one or several CGF or for cross-sector Cooperation areas such as training, capacity building, risk assessment, multipurpose Operation or operational coordination and Cooperation.

2) Field No 2: Fisheries control and inspection technologies expert
(a) required area of expertise: fisheries control and inspection expertise, including in particular expertise in inspection methodologies, Geographic Information System (GIS) and Earth Observation technologies;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• practical fisheries control experience at national or EU level of at least 5 years of activities related to:
  — fisheries inspection methodologies, or
  — fisheries control technologies in general, or,
  — earth observation technologies, or
  — development of a maritime awareness picture, or
  — non-cooperative technologies, or
  — secure SatCom Systems.

3) Field No 3: fisheries control and inspection (traceability, IUU, marketing, transport) expert
(a) required area of expertise: fisheries control and inspection, including in particular expertise in traceability, fight against IUU, marketing and transport of fisheries products;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• professional fisheries control and inspection experience of at least 5 years (or 5 consultancy projects) in the required area of expertise.

4) Field No 4: Fisheries Monitoring, Control and Surveillance (MCS) Systems expert
(a) required area of expertise: acquisition, deployment and exploitation of fisheries MCS Systems, including platforms (fixed and mobile), sensors (radar, Cameras, underwater), System Integration, testing and evaluation;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• professional experience for at least 5 years (or 5 consultancy projects) in the required area of expertise.
5) Field No 5: Legal/Enforcement expert
(a) required area of expertise: law enforcement;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• at least bachelor level of law degree and professional experience of at least 5 years (or 5 consultancy projects) in the required area of expertise;
• knowledge of capacity building and fisheries MCS basic concepts.

6) Field No 6: Analysis techniques and risk management expert
(a) required area of expertise: analysis techniques and risk management;
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• professional experience of at least 5 years (or 5 consultancy projects) in the required area of expertise;
• knowledge of capacity building and fisheries MCS basic concepts.

7) Field No 7: Training expert
(a) required area of expertise: training and education methodologies, course design, and European/Sectoral Qualifications Framework for lifelong learning.
(b) specific field requirements (point e of selection criteria under IV.3):
• university degree in education or related field, and at least 5 years' professional experience (or 5 consultancy projects) in the required area of expertise;
• experience in the preparation, development, implementation, and follow-up of a SQF in relation to one or several CGF.

II.4) Information about lots
This call for expressions of interest is divided into lots: no

II.5) Information about subcontracting
The subcontracting is accepted: no

II.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)
Main vocabulary: 80000000

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Legal form to be taken by the grouping of suppliers, contractors or Service providers to whom a contract might be awarded:
Natural persons are invited to submit an expression of interest in accordance with the rules set out in this notice.
EFCA will draw up a list of experts who meet the selection criteria set out at IV.3).
Incoming applications received in response to this CEI will be evaluated by EFCA; the applicants who satisfy the exclusion criteria and the required selection criteria will be pre-selected and put on a shortlist, according to the required fields. Inclusion on the list entails no Obligation on the part of EFCA concerning the conclusion of contracts.
Where a particular task relating to a field described in II.3) is to be performed by an expert, EFCA will assign expert(s) to the task on the basis of the skills, experience and knowledge necessary and in accordance with the principles of non-discrimination, equal treatment and absence of conflict of interests.

III.2) Economic and financial Standing:
N/A

III.3) Technical competence
The supporting evidence to be provided for the evaluation of the selection criteria is indicated at IV.3).

III.4) Professional competence:
The supporting evidence to be provided for the evaluation of the selection criteria is indicated at IV.3).

Section IV: Procedure
IV.1) **Type of procedure**

Restricted

IV.2) **Grounds for exclusion**

Applicants shall be excluded from participating in a contract if:

(a) they are bankrupt, being wound up or have suspended business activities, their affairs are being administered by the court, they have entered into an arrangement with creditors or similar measures or are the subject of any proceedings of that nature, or are in any analogous Situation arising from a similar procedure provided for in national legislation or regulations;

(b) they have been convicted of an offence concerning their professional conduct by a judgment which is not open to appeal;

(c) they have been guilty of grave professional misconduct;

(d) they have not fulfilled obligations relating to the payment of social security contributions or taxes;

(e) they are guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required by the authorizing department;

(f) other: Before signing a contract, experts shall provide a declaration on their honour stating that they are not in one of the situations of exclusion listed above. In case of doubt, they may be requested to provide supporting evidence of non-exclusion.

IV.3) **Selection criteria:**

Criteria relating to technical and professional capacity:

The applicant shall have:

(a) university degree of at least bachelor level or equivalent and, as of the date of application, at least 5 years of professional experience relevant to the field(s) for which she/he is applying. In the absence of university degree of at least bachelor level or equivalent, unless specifically required under II.3) at least 10 years of Professional experience as of the date of application relevant to the field(s) for which she/he is applying;

(b) educational and Professional qualifications relevant to the field(s) for which she/he is applying (CV shall be provided);

(c) proven proficiency level (at least CI) in English as established at [http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr](http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu/en/resources/european-language-levels-cefr)

The expert selected shall write his contributions and reports in English;

(d) ability to use current Software applications and sufficient experience in the use of personal computers to access the Internet, download documents, enter, save and submit online documentation relating to reports, project documents, etc.;

(e) in addition to the above, specific field requirements as laid down in II.3).

Supporting evidence shall be provided upon request.

IV.4) **Administrative information**

IV.4.1) File reference number: EFCA/2021/CEI/01

IV.4.2) Period of validity of the list resulting from this call for expressions of interests:

- Expiry date of the list resulting from the call for expressions of interest:
  - Date: 17 July 2025

IV.4.3) Time-limit for the submission of applications:

- Date: 17 April 2025

IV.4.4) Language(s) in which applications may be submitted:

- Any EU official language

**Section VI: Complementary Information**

VI.1) **Presentation and submission of applications:**

The applicant should fill in the online application form (see point I.1)
VI.2) **Additional Information:**
Interested parties should provide their full contact details and list dearly the specific field(s) indicated in II.3) that interest them in their expression of interest.

Transparency ex-post Information: For the purposes of transparency, a list of the experts who signed contracts with EFCA must be published annually on the EFCA website. This list must indicate the specific task, the names of individuals, their localisation (region at NUTS level 2) and their remuneration if it exceeds EUR 15 000 per signed contract.