### **CONTRACT NOTICE**

#### Services

Directive 2014/24/EU

#### SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

#### I.1) NAME AND ADDRESSES

Official name: Benelux Organisation for Intellectual Property (BOIP) National ID: 232422504 Postal address: Bordewijklaan 15 Town: Den Haag NUTS code: NL Postal code: 2591XR Country: NL Contact person: Camille Janssen Telephone: E-mail: cjanssen@boip.int Fax:

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#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address: https://www.boip.int/ Address of the buyer profile:

## I.2) JOINT PROCUREMENT

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## I.3) COMMUNICATION

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at: <u>http://www.boip.int/en/bpp-sq</u>

#### Additional information can be obtained from

another address: Official name: Camille Janssen National ID: Postal address: Town: Den Haag NUTS code: NL Postal code: \_ Country: NL Contact person: Telephone: E-mail: cjanssen@boip.int Fax:

#### Internet address(es)

Main address: http://www.boip.int Address of the buyer profile:

## Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted

to the following address: Official name: Camille Janssen National ID: -Postal address: -Town: Den Haag

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## I.4) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

European institution/agency or international organisation

## I.5) MAIN ACTIVITY

• Economic and financial affairs

#### SECTION II: OBJECT

### **II.1) SCOPE OF THE PROCUREMENT**

#### II.1.1) Title

Evolution and Maintenance of the Benelux Patent Platform

Reference number: -

#### II.1.2) CPV code(s)

Main code:

72000000 - IT-diensten: adviezen, softwareontwikkeling, internet en ondersteuning Supplementary code:

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Benelux Organisation for Intellectual Property ("BOIP") is an international organisation which is responsible for the execution of the Benelux Convention for Intellectual Property (trademarks and designs) and the promotion of protection of trademarks and designs in the Benelux countries. BOIP is the owner of the Benelux Patent Platform ("BPP") which is put at the disposal of the National Offices of Belgium, The Netherlands and Luxembourg to allow them to manage the patent related processes in their respective countries applying their national legislations. Each Office has a tailored BPP instance which offers them a fully integrated solution.

In February 2019 BOIP issued a Prior Information Notice and an accompanying request for information to seek the views of suppliers on the future of the BPP services. This was published in OJ S: 2019/S 038–085637. These services are described in the sections below.

#### **II.1.5)** Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 10 000 000,00 Currency: EUR

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

## **II.2) DESCRIPTION**

## II.2.1) Title

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Lot No: -

### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

Main code: 72200000 - Softwareprogrammering en -advies Supplementary code:

Main code: 72500000 - Informaticadiensten Supplementary code:

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code: NL NEDERLAND NUTS code: NL332 Agglomeratie 's-Gravenhage

Main site or place of performance: The Hague (NL); Brussels (BE); Luxembourg (LU)

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

(nature and quantity of works, supplies or services or indication of needs and requirements)

The current platform has generated a lot of benefits for the National Offices. The integrated platform has provided the National Offices with economies of scale; consistent service to external users and an ability to learn from each other's developments and issues. A recent user consultation has shown that both the external and internal users are highly satisfied with the BPP functionality and the services provided. This has provided a direction for the future of the platform.

The vision of BOIP is a platform evolution in the future that makes improvements where necessary to functionality but also takes advantage of new technologies; such as cloud hosting; if appropriate, where impact to users is limited but could create large improvements to the platform and its services.

Through this procurement process BOIP is seeking to select an economic operator who will be responsible for support and maintenance services for the BPP, further evolution of the BPP and hosting infrastructure for the BPP. This is likely to include services as:

- A managed service for the current and future versions of BPP to continue the maintenance, support and service management of the BPP platform in its transitioned state and for the duration of the future contract.

- An evolution of the current BPP with amendments / adaptations to the applications that constitute the BPP to ensure a fully durable, supportable and sustainable platform for the duration of the contract.

- Hosting infrastructure for the BPP including updates to the hosting requirements to create a resilient and cost-effective managed infrastructure services model.

It is anticipated that a maximum of five (5) and minimum of three (3) suitable Candidates will receive the invitation to tender (ITT) following the assessment of the responses to the Selection Questionnaire (SQ).

## II.2.5) Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion Name: Quality Weighting: 70

Price Weighting: 30

#### **II.2.6)** Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 10 000 000,00 Currency: EUR

## **II.2.7**) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

The initial term of forty eight (48) months may be extended for up to a further forty eight (48) months in periods of at least 12-months. Therefore, the total potential term of the contract is ninety six (96) months from the effective date. This allows the initial (transaction specific) investments to be recuperated over a longer term, resulting in a lower price and cost per year.

### II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 3 Maximum number: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: - Criterion: The top ranking suitable Candidates will be invited to participate in the next procurement stage.

#### **II.2.10)** Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options: n.v.t.

#### II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

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#### **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:**

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#### SECTION IV: PROCEDURE

#### **IV.1) DESCRIPTION**

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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

**IV.1.4**) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

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#### **IV.1.5) Information about negotiation**

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

#### IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction

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#### 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: -

#### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date: 17/10/2019 Local time: 16:30

## **IV.2.3**) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates:

Date: 20/12/2019

**IV.2.4**) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:

• EN

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IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

#### SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

#### **VI.1) INFORMATION ABOUT RECURRENCE**

This is a recurrent procurement: no

#### VI.2) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC WORKFLOWS

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### **VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Subject to the below, Candidates will remain responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by them or by any third party acting under instructions from Candidates in connection with taking part in this procurement, regardless of whether such costs arise as a consequence direct or indirect of any amendments made to the procurement documents by the contracting authority at any time. The contracting authority reserves the right at any time to:

(i) reject any or all responses and to cancel or withdraw this procurement at any stage;
(ii) change the timescales set out or referred to within the procurement documents;
(iii) require a Candidate to clarify any submissions in writing and/or provide additional information (failure to respond adequately may result in disqualification);
(iv) terminate the procurement process.

#### **VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW**

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Official name: Rechtbank Den Haag Postal address: -Town: Den Haag Postal code: -Country: NL E-mail: cb.rb.den.haag@rechtspraak.nl Telephone: -Internet address: <u>http://www.rechtspraak.nl</u> Fax:

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

## VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

# 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

16/09/2019