

Tender documentation for the European public tender for the Simulated Environment for Inland Waterway Navigation

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Tender Document Foreword

This tender documentation contains information regarding the European public tender for the ROC Nova College Simulated Environment for Inland Waterway Navigation. This document describes the contracting authority, the contract, the procedure, the requirements imposed on bidders, the requirements and questions regarding the contract and the assessment method. All decisions are described and substantiated in this document.

1. Tendered contract

This chapter contains information about the contracting authority and the tendered contract.

1.1 Contracting authority

Nova College is a secondary vocational training institute in Haarlem, Haarlemmermeer, Amstelveen and the Duin- en Bollenstreek. With almost 1,300 employees we deliver education to over 13,000 students from age 16.

Nova College offers over 130 professional study programmes across the fields of Automotive Engineering, Construction, CIOS (sports), Dance and Theater, Pre-vocational programme, Trade and Commerce, Hotel School, IT, Lab, Logistics, Marketing and Media, MyTec, Order and Safety, Travel and Leisure, Shipping, Technology, Beautician, Business and Care and Welfare. Nova College also offers study programmes and courses for adults. These programmes vary from basic education and Dutch for speakers of a foreign language up to and including pre-university education.

1.2 Tendered contract

1.2.1 Contract definition

Provide a full-mission simulated environment for inland waterway navigation that meets the technical standards of CESNI. This simulated environment, comprising software, hardware, screens, consoles and peripherals should function as one unit, must be maintained by the relevant supplier so that it is always operational and in a state-of-the-art condition (this includes such things as updates for the Simulation System Software, PC hardware updates and replacement of defective hardware).

1.2.2 Purpose of the tender

A contract for the delivery of a simulated environment for inland waterway navigation in IJmuiden that meets CESNI technical standards, and a maintenance contract for the relevant simulated environment for a period of five years.

1.2.3 Scope of the tendered contract

The procurement package relates to four bridges including associated operator stations in accordance with the ES-QIN 2019 regulations plus a maintenance contract for a period of five years.

1.2.4 Consolidation of contracts

The contracts should be consolidated.

The contract comprises the delivery and the maintenance of a simulated environment comprising software, hardware, screens, consoles, and peripherals that together function as a single unit.

If different suppliers are responsible for only part of the simulated environment, this could result in discussion regarding resolving malfunctions. This could hamper the continuity of the simulation education and for this reason a consolidation of separate contracts has been chosen.

1.2.5 Division into lots

The contract is not divided into lots.

If different suppliers are responsible for only part of the simulated environment, this could result in discussion regarding resolving malfunctions. This could hamper the continuity of the simulation education, and for this reason there will be no division into lots.

1.2.6 Variants

The submission of variants is not permitted. The simulated environment for inland waterway navigation is an off-the-shelf product. Variants will not be assessed.

1.2.7 Contract to be signed

This concerns a delivery contract plus a maintenance contract starting on the date of delivery with an end date of 31 December 2025.

A draft maintenance agreement is incorporated as Annex 1. In the question rounds, bidders can make suggestions using the Information Notice form (Annex 4).

Nova College will assess the suggestions and consider taking these on board. Reasons for rejection of textual suggestions will be given in the Information Notice.

The tender will result in a maintenance contract that starts at the moment that the simulated environment is commissioned and ends by operation of law on 31 December 2025.

The tender documents form an integral part of the contract. In the event of conflict, the following ranking of documents applies:

1. Contract
2. Information Notices (latest version will be highest in the ranking)
3. Invitation to tender documents including annexes
4. The Contracting Party's Procurement Terms and Conditions
5. Service Level Agreement
6. Bid from the Contractor

1.2.8 Applicable General Conditions

The ROC Nova College Procurement Conditions dated 5 April 2012, as provided by the contracting authority apply to the contract. The bidder's or third party's general sales and other conditions are expressly rejected. By submitting a bid the bidder is agreeing with the requirements and conditions of this tender.

1.2.9 Management information

The bidder and Nova College will sign a Service Level Agreement (SLA) that forms the basis for optimal technical operation of the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation in general and the maintenance of this environment in particular. The starting point for this SLA is that the continuity of education should be safeguarded at all times and that the bidder will facilitate Nova College at all times in resolving malfunctions and resolving problems.

The bidder will provide relevant information about the operation of the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation to Nova College every six months. This management information will in any event include the following Key Performance Indicator (KPI):

- Uptime: Nova College can access a fully operational simulated environment for inland waterway navigation for 98% of the teaching time

The responsibility for monitoring the agreed KPI lies with the bidder who, on the basis of valid and reliable information, provides evidence that this KPI has been achieved.

If it appears that the agreed KPI has not been achieved, the bidder will formulate an action plan within two weeks of the meeting in which this KPI was discussed. In this action plan, the bidder will indicate which measures are to be taken to achieve at least the agreed level of the agreed KPI. Following approval from Nova College, the plan will then be put into operation within two weeks.

The bidder will give the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation in IJmuiden a major overhaul at least once a year. Meetings will also take place twice a year in which, based on the SLA agreements, the services delivered by the bidder will be assessed by Nova College together with the bidder. These evaluation interviews will focus at least on the following topics:

- Management information regarding the technical operation of the simulated environment
- Number and types of malfunctions
- First approach to resolving the malfunction
- Response time to reports and/or questions
- Time within which the malfunctions are resolved
- Continuity of service provision
- Organization of maintenance period
- Quality of the solution selected by the bidder
- Communications between Nova College and the bidder
- Developments in legislation and regulations
- Developments in simulation and other technology
- Range of vessel models and navigation areas

The purpose of the interviews for Nova College is to safeguard and improve the quality of services by the bidder and work actively towards a long-term relationship.

2 Procedure

This chapter describes the tender procedure that should be followed.

2.1 Applicable legislation

Directive 2014/24/EU dated 26 February 2014 applies to this tender, which is implemented in the Netherlands via the amended Dutch Public Procurement Act 2012, which came into effect on 1 July 2016. The Public Procurement Decree dated 24 June 2016 and the revised Proportionality Guide, which came into effect on 1 July 2016, apply to this tender.

2.2 Applicable procedure

A European public procurement procedure will start based on the Public Procurement Act and the Nova College procurement policy.

2.3 Award criterion

The award criterion for this contract is the best Price/Quality ratio.

2.4 Schedule

The tender will run according to the schedule in the following table:

Phase	Date (end date)
Publication on TenderNed	8 April 2021
Deadline for asking questions for Information Notice 1	21 April 2021 >12:00 noon
Publication of Information Notice 1	30 April 2021
Deadline for asking clarification questions arising from Information Notice 1	17 May 2021 >12:00 noon
Publication of Information Notice 2	21 May 2021
Deadline for tender submission	1 June 2021 (12:00 noon)
Provisional award	14 June 2021
End of standstill period	4 July 2021
Final award	5 July 2021
Effective date of contract	16 July 2021

Nova College is entitled to alter the schedule. Changes will be communicated with bidders.

2.5 Contact person

The contact person on behalf of the contracting authority is:

Company name	ROC Nova College
First contact person	Joost Knol
Second contact person	Fons Sloep
E-mail address	inkoop@novacollege.nl

Bidders are not permitted to approach other persons from Nova College regarding issues that are connected with the tender. Information that does not originate from the contact person or from his or her replacement is not relevant for the tender. All communications between the bidder and Nova College will run via the communications module in TenderNed.

2.6 Shortcomings in the tender documents

This document has been formulated with care. However, it may occur that this document contains information that is unclear, lacking or is inconsistent. Potential bidders should report this as soon as possible by using the Information Notice form (Annex 4). Please take into account the estoppel clause in Chapter 7. The final date for reporting ambiguity, shortcomings, inconsistencies, and/or for asking questions about this tender document and associated documents is stated in the schedule. After this term it is no longer possible to ask questions and/or submit objections.

Once the tender term has elapsed, it is no longer possible to ask questions or submit complaints about any irregularities in the tender documents.

After the tender term, the potential bidders will renounce entitlement to make an objection against any violations of tender or other law. Bidders will then agree in full with the content of the tender documents.

If your question or complaint has not been handled or not been handled satisfactorily, the bidder should then object prior to the expiry of the bid term by starting summary proceedings at the competent court. If the bidder does not do this, the entitlement to have any violations of tender or other law, insofar as there is evidence of these in the tender documents, considered by the courts will lapse and it will be assumed that the candidates and bidders agree in full and unconditionally with the content of these documents.

Nova College is in no way liable for the consequences of any ambiguity, shortcomings, or inconsistencies in the tender documents.

2.7 Questions

Bidders can ask questions by using the Information Notice form (Annex 4). After the question period has ended, the questions will be answered anonymously.

Clarification questions can be posed regarding the Information Notice. New questions will not be processed. Bidders can ask clarification questions by using the Information Notice form (Annex 4).

Textual suggestions for the draft maintenance contract will be assessed and, where possible, incorporated in the Information Notice. A final contract forms part of the Information Notice.

2.8 Non-Dutch bidders

Bidders that are not familiar with the tax, environmental protection, employment protection, and employment conditions' obligations can request information from the Chamber of Commerce and Industry. By completing and signing a Uniform European Tendering Document (ESPD), the bidder states that it satisfies the relevant legislation and regulations in the Netherlands.

2.9 Caveat

Nova College can at all times stop the tender entirely, partially, or temporarily. Any costs made by the bidder will not be reimbursed.

2.10 Bid costs

No costs for Nova College are connected with participation in this tender. Costs that arise as a consequence of not being awarded the tender are at the bidder's risk.

2.11 Confidentiality

We will handle your data in confidence and will only use this information for this tender. The tender documents from the contracting authority are public. The mutual confidentiality of information produced during and after the contract period will be recorded in the contract with the winning bidder.

2.12 Formal requirements

This paragraph indicates how bidders can submit their bid.

2.12.1 Language

The bids should be formulated in English.

2.12.2 Classification of bids

Bids should be submitted digitally via TenderNed. The following documents should be added:

Bid element	Document name	Format
Optional: Bid letter	Letter <name of bidder>	PDF
Uniform European Tendering Document (ESPD) (via TenderNed)	ESPD <name of bidder>	PDF
Answers to open questions (one document)	Answers <name of bidder>	Word
Price Sheet	Price <name of bidder>	Excel

Bidders should submit the answers to open questions and the price in a format that does not hinder photocopying. This refers to the use of headings, formatting styles, columns, and spacing before and after paragraphs.

2.13 Bid from a consortium

Bids from a consortium are permitted. Bidders should indicate that they are bidding in a consortium in section II of the ESPD. The consortium should designate one contact point. Consortia should make clear in their bid who the contact person will be for the tendered service.

A company can only bid once for the contract, either as an independent bidder or as part of a consortium.

Allied companies that both offer a bid should demonstrate on request that their bids have been formulated independently from each other.

It is also possible to bid with a subcontractor. If a subcontractor is used, this subcontractor should submit its own lawfully signed ESPD in order to meet the suitability requirements.

If an organization uses a third party (either in a consortium or as subcontractor) in order to meet the suitability requirements, this third party should carry out the tasks associated with these suitability requirements during the term of the contract.

2.14 Acceptance

The bidder's bid will be valid for three months.

2.15 Complaints

Complaints regarding this tender procedure should be submitted to the contact person:

Name	Complaint Helpdesk FSR
E-mail address	inkoop@mboraad.nl

Complaints will be handled within five working days.

2.16 Annexes

The following annexes form part of the current tender:

1. Draft maintenance contract
2. ROC Nova College Procurement Conditions dated 5 April 2012
3. Price Sheet
4. Information Notice form
5. Nova College Schedule of Requirements inland waterway navigation simulator 2021
6. CemT classes
7. European Standard for Technical Requirements for Inland Navigation vessels
8. European Standard for Qualifications in Inland Navigation
9. Reusable Parts of the Current System (including photographs)
10. Floorplans (KS-2 318)
11. Form for Explanation of Training Possibilities
12. Form for Explanation of User Friendliness

3 Requirements regarding the bidders

Exclusion grounds and suitability requirements apply to the bidders. If one or more of the exclusion grounds stated in this chapter apply to you, you are excluded from bidding for this tender. This will also happen if you do not satisfy one or more of the suitability requirements stated in this chapter.

3.1 Exclusion grounds

The exclusion grounds are checked in the Uniform European Tendering Document (ESPD). Bidders should clarify on bidding that the exclusion grounds do not apply to them by lawfully signing the ESPD.

All exclusion grounds included in art. 2.86 of the amended Public Procurement Act apply. The exclusion grounds are stated in part III, section A and B of the ESPD.

The following facultative exclusion ground (section C of the ESPD) will be used:

- Bankruptcy, insolvency, or similar.

3.2 Suitability requirements

Suitability requirements relate to financial and economic capacity and technical or professional competence. The relevant suitability requirements are stated in the following sub paragraphs.

3.2.1 Suitability requirements regarding financial and economic capacity

The following suitability requirements apply:

- The bidder should have sufficient insurance as stated in the ROC Nova College General Terms and Conditions of Procurement dated 5 April 2012.

3.2.2 Suitability requirements regarding technical and professional competence

To implement the contract, the bidders should have the following competences as considered relevant by Nova College:

- Demonstrable knowledge experience and professional competence to build and maintain a simulated environment for inland shipping.
- Demonstrable experience with supplying, installing, and implementing a simulated environment for inland shipping that meets the European Directive and that is recognized by the Centraal Bureau Rijvaardigheid (CBR) (central agency for driving skills) or a comparable body.

3.3 Supporting documents

By completing and lawfully signing the Uniform European Tendering Document, bidders declare that the exclusion grounds do not apply to them and that they satisfy the suitability requirements.

To find an international (not Dutch) equivalent of the supporting documents, the bidder can consult the e-Certis website (<https://ec.europa.eu/tools/ecertis>).

Article 61 of Directive 2014/24/EU provides an explanation of this European Commission online database. The database contains the most prevalent supporting documents in tender procedures within Europe. Bidders can select the relevant country from a list on the e-Certis website. You will then see an overview of relevant supporting documents for the various topics.

If no equivalent can be found, the bidder can also submit a statement under oath or a formal declaration in the presence of an authorized legal or administrative body, a notary, or an authorized professional organization in the relevant country.

Within 10 days of communicating the award decision, the winning bidder should submit the following supporting documents:

- An excerpt from the register of the Chamber of Commerce that, at the time of bidding, is not older than six months. With this, the bidder demonstrates that the exclusion grounds in article 2.87(1)(b) of the amended Public Procurement Act do not apply to the bidder. The excerpt must demonstrate that the person who is designated in the ESPD as a legal representative is authorized for this tender.
- A Declaration of Conduct for Tenderers that, at the time of bidding, is no more than two years old, to demonstrate that the exclusion grounds in article 2.86(2) of the amended Public Procurement Act do not apply.
- A statement from the Dutch Tax and Customs Administration (Belastingdienst) that, at the time of the bidding, is not older than six months and in which it is stated that the exclusion grounds regarding non-compliance of payment of taxes and social insurance premiums, article 2.86, article 4, and article 2.87(1)(j) do not apply.
- A referee description (including name, address, town/city and telephone number of the relevant legal person) that, in the judgement of the contracting authority, demonstrates beyond doubt that the bidder has the required core competences. The reference may not be older than three years at the time of bidding. One reference should be submitted per competence. Multiple competences can also be met in one reference, if written clearly and unambiguously. Multiple references may not be combined to satisfy one competence. Nova College may contact the referee to ask questions about the simulated environment supplied by the bidder plus the maintenance carried out by the bidder on this simulated environment.
- A copy of an insurance policy demonstrating that the bidder is at least insured as stated in the ROC Nova College General Terms and Conditions of Procurement dated 5 April 2012, as used by the contracting authority.

Nova College retains the right to request these supporting documents again during the contract.

4 Requirements and questions regarding the contract

This chapter details the contract requirements. Requirements are hard, which means that bidders must meet the requirements when implementing the contract and should take these into account when formulating a bid.

4.1 Requirements regarding the contract

This section contains the contract implementation requirements. The requirements relate to the contract.

4.1.1 General

1. The contractor acts in accordance with applicable Dutch legislation and regulations when implementing this contract.

4.1.2 Technical requirements

1. See annex 5: Schedule of Requirements

4.1.3 Communication

1. The contractor has one fixed and one deputy contact person as contact point for Nova College.
2. The contractor is available on working days (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM) for the Nova College contact persons. (A working day is every day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or public holiday).
3. All communications with and from the contractor should take place in English.
4. The contractor has an internal complaints procedure.

4.1.4 Management information

1. Every six months, the bidder will provide Nova College with the information stated in paragraph 1.2.9. Management information. This information forms part of the evaluation interviews as stated in the relevant paragraph. An important component of the agreed management information system is an Up time of 98% for the entire simulated environment for inland waterway navigation during teaching.

4.1.5 Price, invoicing and payment

1. Invoicing takes place after delivery stating the cost centre number indicated by Nova College.
2. Following receipt of the invoice, payment will take place 30 days after the final approval of the delivery of the completed services.
3. All prices may be indexed once per calendar year in accordance with the Consumer Price Index of the country in which the contractor is established.
4. The contracting authority should be informed of this indexation in writing at least 2 months in advance.

4.2 Questions regarding the contract

The paragraph contains the questions the bidder must answer. The answers will be assessed as sub-award criteria.

4.2.1 Training possibilities

Objective: Nova College needs a simulated environment for inland waterway navigation that offers more training opportunities than the minimal requirements as provided by law.

Question: Can the bidder meet the additional training possibilities mentioned by Nova College in this paragraph?

If the bidder's simulated environment currently has the requested training possibility, Nova College expects a detailed explanation so that the present functionality can be evaluated.

If the requested training possibility is still in development, Nova College expects a detailed explanation so that the functionality that is yet to be developed can be evaluated. In that case, Nova College also expects a statement about the time at which this yet to be developed functionality is expected to be available for Nova College.

To answer the set questions, the bidder is expected to use the Explanation Form attached under question 4.2.1. Training Possibilities (see annex 11).

1. Replay possibilities in which the radar view, and the CCTV of the bridge can be synchronized with the replay
2. The possibility to stop a replay and continue this as a running exercise
3. Adjustable ship names for own ships and targets
4. The possibility to present the target ship in different variations (different colours, loaded or in ballast, etc.)
5. Other areas, such as river Rhine areas, Wadden area between Terschelling, Vlieland and Harlingen, North Sea channel between IJmuiden and Amsterdam
6. The possibility to use targets and own ships already in Nova College's possession
7. Other CEMT types as own ship and target vessel
8. Other target models including helicopter, floating sea container, windmills and non CEMT targets, etc.
9. Ability to create and visualize calamities (such as fire, explosions, etc.)
10. Fuel consumption display on the bridges and at the instructor station
11. The possibility to assign bridges for a replay
12. The possibility to show an overview of the exercise (helicopter view) both when running an exercise as well as during playback
13. Forward horizontal view at least 210°/preferably 240° (5 monitors) and rear view at least 50° (1 monitor)

Up to 130 points can be obtained for this question. The distribution of the points over the various questions is illustrated on the Explanation Form under question 4.2.1 Training Possibilities (annex 11).

4.2.2 User Friendliness

Objective: Nova College needs a simulated environment for inland waterway navigation that offers more user friendliness than the minimal requirements as provided by law.

Question: Can the bidder increase the user friendliness as mentioned by Nova College in this paragraph?

If the bidder's simulated environment currently has the requested facility, Nova College expects a detailed explanation so that the present functionality can be evaluated.

If the requested facility is still in development, Nova College expects a detailed explanation so that the functionality that is yet to be developed can be evaluated.

In that case, Nova College also expects a statement about the time at which this yet to be developed functionality is expected to be available for Nova College.

To answer the set questions, the bidder is expected to use the Explanation Form attached under question 4.2.2 User Friendliness (annex 12).

1. The possibility for the instructor to replay a VHF conversation when running an exercise
2. Different speakers for every bridge at the instructor station to enable the VHF conversation of every bridge to be distinguished
3. For the instructor: An easy way to handle the VHF Push to Talk button, for instance via foot pedal
4. For the instructor: Visualization and list of which channel and Own ship is using the VHF
5. The possibility to start any replay (also with exercises exceeding 45 minutes) within 1 minute
6. The possibility to stop and rewind a playback and continue as an exercise
7. The possibility to run another exercise during a replay
8. The controls should resemble the actual controls as used on Dutch inland vessels

Up to 120 points can be obtained for this question. The distribution of the points over the various questions is illustrated on the Explanation Form under question 4.2.2 User Friendliness (annex 12).

4.2.3 Implementation plan for delivery and commissioning of the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation

Objective: Nova College wants the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation to be operational as quickly as possible so that teaching is delayed as little as possible.

Question: Describe how the simulated environment for inland waterway will be installed, implemented and operationalized.

In this description, provide additional details of the following points:

1. Schedule with milestones (Note: Installation should be ready by no later than 01/12/2021)
2. Reuse and maintenance of already available hardware and equipment (annex 9)
3. Working hours
4. Work agreements
5. Training of lecturers
6. Implementation conditions for the contracting authority

Up to 150 points can be obtained for this question.

4.2.4 Service Level Agreement Maintenance

Objective: Safeguard the continued availability - Up time of 98% - of the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation during teaching and maximum facilitation of Nova College in resolving malfunctions and resolving problems.

Question: Describe in a Service Level Agreement how the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation will be maintained in an operational condition during the period of use, how the requested Up time of 98% will be realized during teaching and how the simulated environment will be updated to ensure that it remains state of the art.

In this description, provide additional details of the following points:

1. Scheduled On-Site Visit
2. Preventive maintenance
3. Action Plan for On-Site Visit
4. Response time to reports and/or questions
5. First approach for a possible solution
6. Time within which the various types of malfunctions will be resolved
7. On-Call Site Visit
8. Scheduled Training for instructors and maintenance
9. Other corrective maintenance

Up to 300 points can be obtained for this question.

5 Price

This paragraph states the way in which the prices must be submitted.

5.1 Price Sheet

The bidder is asked to split the quotation price into two parts on the price sheet:

- One-off costs for delivery, installation and commissioning the full-mission simulated environment for inland waterway navigation (software, hardware, screens, consoles and peripherals, transport, tests, instruction, etc.).
- Annually recurring costs for the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation maintenance, so as to ensure that it is always operational and in a state-of-the-art condition (including updates for the Simulation System Software, PC hardware updates and replacement of defective hardware).

For the annual maintenance costs, the bidder is requested to indicate which activities fall outside the standard maintenance and will therefore result in additional costs.

300 points can be obtained for the total costs over the full term of the agreement.

5.2 Other

- The bidder should use the price sheet (annex 3) to add the requested price information. If important issues are missing, the bidder should indicate this in advance during the Information Notice.
- The pricing schedule should be produced in euros and excluding VAT.
- All costs should be discounted in the pricing.
- Manipulative bids or modifications to the pricing schedule will result in exclusion.

6 Evaluation of the bids

This chapter describes how bids are evaluated.

6.1 Assessment against the formal requirements

Bids that are submitted in time will be assessed first to check whether they meet the formal requirements. Bids that do not meet the formal requirements will be excluded from further evaluation.

6.2 Bidders meeting the requirements

Bids that meet the formal requirements will then be assessed to check that bidders meet the requirements. The bidder declares that it meets the minimum requirements by lawfully signing the ESPD. Non-compliance with the requirements or conditions of this tender will result in exclusion.

6.3 Evaluation of the answers to questions

The answers to the questions will be evaluated of all bids that meet the contract requirements.

In the first instance, members of the tender team will make this evaluation individually. The definitive evaluation will then be determined in consensus.

The evaluation will take place based on the determined evaluation framework.

Missing	Provides no answer to the question and/or indicates in the answer that the bidder does not meet the objectives relating to the question.	0 points
Insufficient	The answer given partially answers the question and/or the objectives relating to the question. There are uncertainties on one or more points, one or more concerning limitations, or sections are missing. The description is unclear and/or not concrete enough.	1/4 of the maximum points that could be obtained
Sufficient	Answers the question but does not deliver any added value or provide additional information and/or detailing of the objectives relating to the question.	2/4 of the maximum points that could be obtained
Good	Answers the question and details the objectives relating to the question. In doing so the answer offers potential added value compared with the objective relating to the question.	3/4 of the maximum points that could be obtained
Excellent	Answers the question and details the objectives relating to the question. In doing so, the answer certainly offers added value compared with the objective relating to the question.	4/4 of the maximum points that could be obtained

Bidders must obtain at least half plus 1 of the number of points for quality to be eligible for the award. If bidders have not obtained this minimum number, the pricing schedule will not be evaluated.

6.4 Evaluation of the pricing schedule

If the bid meets the requirements, the pricing schedule will be evaluated. During the evaluation of quality, the pricing schedule will be known only by the tender process leader. The pricing schedule will be announced to the assessors after the quality evaluation has been concluded.

The bidder with the lowest price for the investment plus maintenance during the contract period will receive 300 points. The other bidders' points will be awarded using the following formula:

$(\text{Lowest price}/\text{price of the bidder}) * \text{maximum number of points that can be obtained for pricing.}$

6.5 Ranking

The scores for qualities and pricing are not connected with each other. This takes place via the ratio:

Price	Quality
30%	70%

The total scores of the bids will be ranked from high to low. The total of the points for price and quality will determine the total score.

If two bids are in joint first place, Nova College will award the tender to the bidder with the highest quality score.

When both bidders have the same quality score, the winning party will be determined via a lottery.

6.6 Presentation as verification

For verification purposes, Nova College retains the right to ask the highest ranked bidder to present its bid. This presentation should be given by bidder's Nova Collage contact person. This presentation should confirm that all set requirements are met. No new information may be provided during the presentation. Nova College may ask clarifying questions. The presentation will not be evaluated separately. Nova College may require the above-mentioned presentation to take place in the Netherlands and during the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation tender standstill period.

7 Follow-up

Once the provisional award has been decided, a provisional award notice will be sent to the winning bidder. This notice does not constitute acceptance of the offer of the bidder(s) as referred to in Book 6 Article 217 first section of the Dutch Civil Code. This notice therefore does not result in a contract.

The other bidders will receive a bid rejection letter. The rejection letter will indicate to which bidder the contract is being awarded and the feature(s) and advantage(s) of the winning bid compared with the rejected bidder's bid. A waiting period of 20 calendar days (standstill period) will be taken into consideration from the date the provisional award and bid rejection letters are sent and prior to signing the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation delivery and maintenance contract.

There will be an opportunity to ask questions during this waiting time. Nova College requests that questions are asked as early as possible, preferably within 7 calendar days of the provisional award decision announcement date, so that these can be answered well before the end of the twenty-calendar-day period.

Objections regarding the award decision can be made known by recording an objection with the Commissie van Aanbestedingsexperts, which can be contracted via Commissie van Aanbestedingsexperts, p/a Pianoo, Postbus 20401 (ALP K/040), 2500 EK The Hague. An objection can also be made by serving a summons to Nova College at the Court in Haarlem.

The above-mentioned period is time limited, which means that if the bidder, after expiry of this period has processed his rights of appeal into a claim for damages, whether or not in the judicial review procedure. Serving the summons after the above-mentioned period will result in the claim being inadmissible.

After the evaluation of the bids, it is possible that the bidder will be offered the opportunity to explain its bid in a verification interview, if necessary at the request of Nova College.

After the end of the standstill period if there is confirmation that all requirements have been met and there are no outstanding objections from rejected bidders, the simulated environment for inland waterway navigation delivery and maintenance contract will be signed.

If it appears that not all requirements have been met, the bid produced by the bidder that was until that point ranked first will be excluded.

The remaining bids will then be re-evaluated and an amended provisional award and bid rejection letters will be sent, announcing that the bidder that is then ranked first will receive the award. The standstill period will then restart.

After completion of the procedure, Nova College will announce the award of the contract within the set period.