

**Subject:** – *Subscription to databases and other electronic resources*  
– *EPRS/LIBS/SER/22/027*

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

The European Parliament is planning to award a public contract for *Subscription to databases and other electronic resources*.

The maximum duration of the contract will be 48 months.

Please find enclosed the procurement documents relating to this contract, which provide the information you will require should you decide to submit a tender. Those documents are as follows:

- this invitation to tender, which sets out the information needed in order to participate and contract notice;
- the conditions for submitting a tender;
- the specifications and the annexes thereto, providing detailed information on the subject of the contract, the technical specifications, the exclusion, selection and award criteria, and the supporting documents and annexes which you must submit with your tender;
- the model framework contract and the annexes thereto.

All documents are available at the following TED e-Tendering website:  
<https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=12710>

If you are interested in taking part in this tender procedure, please submit a tender in one of the European Union's official languages before the deadline for submission of tenders indicated under Heading IV.2.2 of the contract notice.

You are reminded that, save in the following exceptional circumstances, all contact between tenderers and the European Parliament is prohibited throughout the procedure.

Prior to the closing date for submission of tenders:

- ***On the initiative of tenderers***, in order to receive additional information for the sole purpose of clarifying the nature of the contract. Tenderers who wish to obtain additional information on the documents making up the invitation to tender should submit their questions solely **in writing** through the following TED e-Tendering website in the "Questions & Answers" tab, by clicking "Create a question" (registration on TED e-Tendering is required to be able to create and submit a question). The relevant replies will be published on the same site.

No response will be given to any request for additional information received less than six *working days* before the closing date for submission of tenders.

The European Parliament will not respond to oral questions, questions submitted after the above deadline, or questions which are incorrectly worded or addressed.

Any questions received, together with the relevant replies, will be published on the website where the procurement documents are accessible <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=12710> under the FAQ section.

Replies sent simultaneously to all tenderers will be written only in *English*.

- ***On the initiative of the European Parliament***, if its departments discover an error, an inaccuracy, an omission or any other material shortcoming in the wording of the contract notice, the invitation to submit a tender or the specifications.

If appropriate, the additional information and the information referred to above will be communicated on the same date and on strictly identical terms on the website where the procurement documents are accessible <https://etendering.ted.europa.eu/cft/cft-display.html?cftId=12710>. (Please consult it regularly).

- After the tenders have been opened and on the European Parliament's initiative, if the tender gives rise to requests for explanations, or with a view to correcting material errors in the wording of the tender, the European Parliament will contact the tenderer. Any such contact may not result in the terms of the tender being modified.

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