

WRITTEN QUESTION P-3338/09
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to the Commission

Subject: OLAF CBIS (Core Business Information System)

On 19 January 2009, I submitted to the Commission a written question (E-0095/09) on OLAF's 2006 purchase of its Core Business Information System (CBIS) thin client network. I suggested that no proper tendering procedure had been followed, that by the time of CBIS installation in 2008 part of the equipment purchased had become obsolete and that the CBIS was still not functioning. I asked what tendering procedure had been used in connection with the purchase by OLAF of the CBIS in 2006. I also asked how many external personnel were specifically involved with the CBIS, for example in unit OLAF/D/8.

On 12 March 2009 the Commission transmitted the answer provided by OLAF, which stated that the purchases of OLAF's CBIS hardware, software and services had been carried out in accordance with the proper procurement procedures and were subject to controls. Reference was made to the open call for tenders published in the OJ in S157 on 17 August 2005. Two full-time external staff had been working on this project since its inception. Reference was also made to an OLAF restricted call for tenders in OJ S215 of 9 November 2005 and another open call for tenders in OJ S29 of 10 February 2007.

The call in S157/2005 relates to OLAF tenders 156404, 156403 and 156402, the call in S215/2005 relates to OLAF tender 211695 and the call in S29/2007 relates to OLAF tender 034324. Could the Commission provide me with the following information in relation to these five tenders:

1. The prior information notice;
2. The tender documents, including the specifications ('cahier des charges') as sent to potential bidders;
3. The record of the public opening procedure, including the list of companies attending;
4. The report of the evaluation committee;
5. The award notice/reference of the publication of the notice in the S-series of the OJ;
6. The signature dates of the contracts and the delivery dates of the hard- and software.
7. Which prior information notices/contract notices relate to CBIS hardware, software and services?