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**Germany-Frankfurt am Main: ECB - Surveys on the access to finance of enterprises (SAFE)  
2018/S 139-316716**

**Contract award notice**

**Results of the procurement procedure**

**Services**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/24/EU

**Section I: Contracting authority**

I.1) **Name and addresses**

European Central Bank  
Sonnemannstrasse 22  
Frankfurt am Main  
60314  
Germany  
Telephone: +49 69/13440  
E-mail: [procurement@ecb.europa.eu](mailto:procurement@ecb.europa.eu)  
Fax: +49 69/13447110  
NUTS code: DE712

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu>

I.1) **Name and addresses**

European Commission  
rue de la Loi 170  
Brussels  
1040  
Belgium  
E-mail: [grow-hr3@eu.europa.eu](mailto:grow-hr3@eu.europa.eu)  
NUTS code: BE100

**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <http://www.ec.europa.eu>

I.2) **Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

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:**  
Surveys on the access to finance of enterprises (SAFE)  
Reference number: PRO-003183
- II.1.2) **Main CPV code**  
79310000
- II.1.3) **Type of contract**  
Services
- II.1.4) **Short description:**  
The European Central Bank (the “ECB”) has awarded framework agreement (the “Contract”) for the performance of Surveys on the Access to Finance of Enterprises (“SAFE”). The Contract is also for the benefit of the European Commission (the ‘EC’) which represents the European Union. The ECB and the EC may issue Specific Orders under the Contract for the performance of SAFE and may also request additional services for each Specific Order in accordance with the provisions of the Contract. The Contract has a duration of four years. SAFE is a qualitative survey of firms with the purpose of providing regular information on the financing conditions of micro, small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs), as well as of some larger firms, in a certain number of countries.
- II.1.6) **Information about lots**  
This contract is divided into lots: no
- II.1.7) **Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**  
Value excluding VAT: 5 200 000.00 EUR
- II.2) **Description**
- II.2.1) **Title:**
- II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**  
79311000  
79311100  
79311200  
79311300
- II.2.3) **Place of performance**  
NUTS code: DE712  
Main site or place of performance:  
The Contractor shall be perform the services at their registered office and in the countries and territories which are subject to the relevant services
- II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**  
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The survey shall be performed every 6 months in 2 different compositions as detailed below:

— once a year, usually in March, in the euro area excluding some countries (as of 1.1.2018, the 7 smallest countries of the euro area shall be excluded) as detailed in Annex 1 ('Tender specifications') to the invitation to tender (ITT). The requesting institution will be the ECB,

— once a year, usually in September, in all countries of the European Union plus some additional countries in neighbouring regions detailed in Annex 1 ('Tender specifications'). The requesting institutions will be both the ECB and the EC.

In both types of waves, all firms shall be asked a common set of questions with between 40 and 65 question-units. The questionnaire is largely fixed from wave to wave, and the sample in the European Union includes a panel component. The services to be performed under the contract are further detailed in Annex 1 ('Tender specifications') to the invitation to tender (ITT).

II.2.5) **Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality of the technical offer / Weighting: 60 %

Price - Weighting: 40 %

II.2.11) **Information about options**

Options: no

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**

The total value of the procurement and the Contract(s) indicated in this Contract Award Notice is/are indicative non-binding spending estimate(s) at the time of contract award. The actual value of the contract(s) may differ and will be determined by actual business needs.

**Section IV: Procedure**

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

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: [2017/S 210-435476](#)

IV.2.8) **Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system**

IV.2.9) **Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

**Section V: Award of contract**

**Contract No:** 4400002260

**Title:**

Surveys on the access to finance of enterprises (SAFE)

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2) **Award of contract**

V.2.1) **Date of conclusion of the contract:**

12/06/2018

V.2.2) **Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 0

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3) **Name and address of the contractor**

PANTEIA B.V., Private Limited Liability Company

KVK: 27199369

Bredewater 26

Zoetermeer

2715

Netherlands

NUTS code: NL

The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4) **Information on value of the contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: 5 200 000.00 EUR

V.2.5) **Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted:

Verifying correctness of all translations (proper use of financial terms, understandable for respondents etc.), training interviewers, piloting, actual fieldwork in all countries, delivery of dataset

**Section VI: Complementary information**

VI.3) **Additional information:**

The procurement procedure has been conducted in accordance with Decision ECB/2016/2 of 9.2.2016 laying down the rules on procurement, OJ L 45, 20.2.2016, p. 15 (as amended) available on the ECB website: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu/ecb/jobsproc/tenders/html/index.en.html>.

The total value of the contract(s) indicated in Section V.2.4 of this contract award notice (EUR 5 200 000.00) is further broken down by contracting authority as follows:

European Central Bank (ECB): EUR 2 450 000.00

European Commission (EC): EUR 2 750 000.00

It should be noted that the above amounts are an indicative non-binding spending estimate at the time of contract award. The actual value of the contract(s) may differ and will be determined by actual business needs;

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Procurement Review Body of the European Central Bank, c/o Legal Advice Team

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Frankfurt am Main

60314

Germany

Telephone: +49 6913440

Fax: +49 6913446886

Internet address: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu>

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

European Ombudsman  
1 avenue du Président Robert Schuman  
Strasbourg  
67001  
France

VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

15 days from the receipt of the information specified in Article 34(3) of ECB Decision 2016/2 laying down the Rules on Procurement or, if no information is requested, 15 days from the receipt of the notification to unsuccessful tenderers. Further requirements are outlined in Article 39 of this Decision. A complaint to the European Ombudsman does not affect the deadline for lodging appeals.

VI.4.4) **Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

Central Procurement Office  
Sonnemannstrasse 20  
Frankfurt am Main  
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Germany  
Telephone: +49 6913440  
Internet address: <http://www.ecb.europa.eu>

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

11/07/2018