Vilnius,

Subject: Ex-ante publicity notice for procurement procedure

Processing and analysis of data collected for the Europe-wide survey “Benefits of Gender Equality by Spending on Public Services”. Production of the paper on a gender-centred approach to infrastructure for public service provisioning.

Reference number: EIGE/2015/OPER/14

Description of the contract:

The European Institute for Gender Equality (EIGE) envisages awarding a low-value contract for the processing and evaluation of the survey “Benefits of Gender Equality by Spending on Public Services” methodology and data, and the production of the paper with the preliminary working title “Reaping the Benefits of Gender Equality: Empowerment of Women and Men through Public Services”.

Background information:

The European Institute for Gender Equality launched a project on the Benefits of Gender Equality (BGE) in April 2013. By introducing a focus on the benefits of gender equality, EIGE seeks to effectively advocate for a stronger inclusion of gender equality in the political agenda across the EU.

In 2014 EIGE commissioned four papers on BGE to find out the best methodological approach for EIGE’s work on the benefits of gender equality, and the approach developed in the background paper “Sectoral focus to benefits of gender equality” was selected. The paper offered a review of the existing policy areas in the EU, mapping out relevant policy areas for gender mainstreaming. The paper highlighted regional and urban policies and more specifically the importance and challenges of mainstreaming gender into spending on infrastructure for public services in order to provide an environment supportive and empowering of both women and men.

Based on this paper, EIGE prepared a survey that is aimed at studying gender-specific needs for and experiences with infrastructure for public service provisioning. For the effective policy making, it is necessary to understand how, if at all, the needs for public services of the population are differently structured based on gender. This in turn would create capacities for developing new rationalised, integrated and inclusive infrastructural policies and strategies which respond better to the needs of different groups and, in the same time, are in line with the long term goals of gender mainstreaming strategies. The data for the survey will be collected through Computer Assisted Telephone Interviews (CATI) by July 2015 and altogether 5378 responses have been commissioned Europe-wide.

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Description of the requested services:
- The contractor will merge the data subsets from all the 28 Member States into one file and will inspect and edit the data.
- The survey methodology and data, metadata and paradata will be processed and evaluated; the technical report will be prepared.
- The results report will be prepared by revising and further developing the background paper and based on the analysis of the survey data; this may involve desk research.
- Based on the evaluation of the conceptual framework, methodology and findings, the contractor shall prepare a proposal for future research on a Member State level.

Description of the procedure:

This ex-ante publicity is the first stage of the negotiated procurement procedure through which EIGE may award the above-mentioned contract.

All parties interested in providing the services described above should express their interest by e-mail, to procurement@eige.europa.eu with the subject reference: EIGE/2015/OPER/14, before 22-06-2015, 09:00am Vilnius time (EET).

Tender documents will be sent by e-mail.

This publication constitutes no obligation for EIGE to launch the mentioned procurement procedure.

We look forward to receiving your declaration of interest.