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EG-Cairo: ENPI — technical assistance to the 'Support to rural development' programme (SRD)

2011/S 50-080888

Location: Mediterranean Partners — Egypt

Contract forecast notice

Services

Common procurement vocabulary (CPV):

Main object:

71356200 Technical assistance services

Additional object(s):

77100000 Agricultural services

03100000 Agricultural and horticultural products

1. **Publication reference:**

EuropeAid/131118/D/SER/EG.

2. **Procedure:**

Restricted.

3. **Programme:**

ENPI.

4. **Financing:**

Financing agreement.

5. **Contracting authority:**

Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation, Cairo, EGYPT.

6. **Nature of contract:**

Fee-based.

7. **Contract description:**

The purpose of this contract is to support the Ministry of Agriculture and Land Reclamation, both at headquarters and regional level, with the implementation of the 'Support to rural development' programme (SRD). The consultant will ensure that the programme will be properly structured, managed and implemented. Implicit in the actual physical implementation is the objective of adopting the conditional incentive-based approach with support being provided to beneficiaries conditional on their participation in approved and suggested measures to the future pursuit of agriculture in those areas.

8. **Numbers and titles of lots:**

The contract is divided into lots:

No, 1 lot only.

9. **Budget:**

Maximum budget: 1 300 000 EUR.

10. **Intended timing of publication of procurement notice:**

April 2011.

11. **Additional information:**

The overall objective of the SRD programme is to contribute to poverty reduction and socio-economic development of the rural poor through measures aimed to protect, preserve and increase land productivity, create employment and generate incomes.

The specific objective of the SRD is to demonstrate and establish the modality of conditional incentive-based development as an approach to poverty reduction and growth in the rural areas of Egypt. It aims to provide direct and tangible benefits to the population demonstrating a better use of government resources. This would contribute to the adoption of a new paradigm for rural development that would be the basis for a rural development policy/strategy for the country.

12. **Legal basis:**

European Neighbourhood and Partnership Instrument (Regulation (EC) No 1638/2006 of the EP and of the Council — OJ L 310/1 of 9.11.2006).

13. **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

2.3.2011.

Remarks:

There must be a minimum period of 30 calendar days between the publication of this contract forecast and the publication of the corresponding procurement notice.

No applications or requests for information should be sent at this stage.