



Ex-ante publicity notice in negotiated procurement procedure

**Subject: Development of new functionalities and maintenance of BCoDE toolkit”
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Short description

The Burden of Communicable Diseases in Europe (BCoDE) is an ECDC funded project aiming at producing estimates of the burden of communicable diseases applying composite health measures (DALYs: Disability Adjusted Life Years).

In order to facilitate use and understanding of the methodology, a stand-alone application with a user-friendly interface has been developed, the BCoDE toolkit. This application is now available for free download from ECDC's website:

(http://ecdc.europa.eu/en/healthtopics/burden_of_communicable_diseases/Pages/Tool.aspx).

The future contractor will have full access to the application, including the code source. The toolkit is a Microsoft Windows 32-bit desktop application and was written in C++ using Qt C++ toolkit version 4.8.4.

The objective of this contract is to ensure timely and ad-hoc maintenance of the existing application, and further development of the application. The latter includes both the development and integration of new disease models, amendments of existing models at the request of ECDC experts and the development of a new feature, the “Create your own outcome tree”, by empowering the users by allowing them to create new models. This new functionality will then be integrated with a new library of disease models (outcome trees) for other users to share the models with.

Description of the procedure:

This ex-ante publicity is the first stage of a negotiated procurement procedure below 60,000 with a minimum of 3 candidates, through which ECDC may award the above-mentioned contract.

All economic operators interested in providing the services described above should express their interest before **24/06/2016**, 17:00h CET, by e-mail to tenders@ecdc.europa.eu with the same subject reference as indicated above.

In their expression of interest interested economic operators should demonstrate their ability to provide the relevant services and provide the following information:

- Name
- Address
- Contact person
- E-mail
- Description of main area of business/expertise (max 500 words)

This information will be taken into account by ECDC in order to identify potential candidates.

The Request for Offers and related documents will be provided by e-mail only to the identified candidates.

Please note that ECDC reserves the right not to launch the negotiated procedure.