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**Competitiveness & Innovation Programme
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Call for Tenders

Quality Labels for Training Fostering E-Skills for Competitiveness & Innovation

Deadline: 16 September 2011

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Introduction

The aim of this contract is to develop quality labels for industry-based training and certifications compatible with the European quality assurance reference framework for vocational education and training (EQAVET). The focus is on the acquisition and the development of e-skills for ICT practitioners taking into account the needs of SMEs.

Subject of this call for tenders

The contractor selected to undertake this tender will be required to produce two major reports:-

- A synthesis report on 'ICT industry-based training and certifications: state of play, trends and developments in Europe'
- A final report on 'Quality labels for ICT industry-based training and certifications in Europe: The way forward'

It is intended that the work will be split into two phases:-

Phase 1 – collection and analysis of recent information and data, mapping, interviews, workshops and preparation of the synthesis report

Phase 2 – analysis and documentation of best practices, proposing quality labels; design and assessment of an online prototype, organisation of workshops and a conference and the preparation of the final report



Technical Features

Budget available and maximum contract price:	€500,000
Duration of contract:	12 months

Selection Criteria

Contractors are required to demonstrate that they have the necessary technical expertise and financial capacity to deliver the project. In addition tenders will be assessed against the following criteria and the contract awarded to the bid offering the best quality/price ratio:-

Selection Criteria	% of total score available
Clarity, quality & relevance of the proposed methodology & workplan	40%
Completeness & relevance of the processes for data information collection & analysis	40%
Quality & effectiveness of the proposed management & relationship with stakeholders	20%

Further Information

All information relating to this call for tenders can be obtained from:-

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/newsroom/cf/itemlongdetail.cfm?item_id=5260&lang=en&tpa=0&displayType=fo&fosubtype=t&ref=newsbytheme%2Ecfm%3Flang%3Den%26displayType%3Dfo%26fosubtype%3Dt%26tpa%3D0%26period%3Dlatest%26month%3D%26page%3DI