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Tender announcement

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1. OBJECT

The AZTI Foundation announces the opening of a public tendering procedure for **the rental of a bottom trawler to carry out a scientific cruise in the waters off the coast of France (ICES 8abd zone).**

2. LENGTH OF SERVICE

The duration of the cruise will be seven (7) days (one fishing trip) and will take place between June and July 2023.

The exact date of the start of the trip will be determined according to the availability of AZTI researchers and will consider the meteorological conditions, which will have to be favourable for the cruise to be carried out. It will be agreed with the ship-owning company with sufficient time to ensure good planning on both sides.

3. ECONOMIC TENDER

The maximum economic offer that will be accepted for this tender is **eighteen thousand euros (18.000,00 euros)**, taxes not included.

Invoicing will take place at the conclusion of the service, and the invoice will be paid within 60 days of the date of issue.



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4. ASSESSMENT CRITERIA FOR PROPOSALS

The proposals received will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

Economic offer	50%
Technical adjustment	35%
Crew experience in oceanographic trawl surveys	10%
CSR policies	5%

5. PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSALS

Bidders may submit their proposals to the attention of Irati Velez at the e-mail address ivelez@azti.es and at any of the AZTI centres, from the time of publication of this announcement on the AZTI Foundation website, **until 12 noon on 24 May 2023**.

Proposals can be submitted in Spanish, English or Basque.

Tenderers may contact the following address for further **technical information**:

AZTI

Elsa Cuende de Francisco

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6. AWARD

Once the offers have been received on the date indicated for their presentation, within 15 working days, the result of the tender will be published on the AZTI Foundation website.



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7. CONDITIONS DE RECRUTEMENT

- The selected entity, during the time that the service relationship with AZTI lasts, must comply with the regulations in force on labour matters, Social Security and Health and Safety at Work, being subject, if applicable, to carry out the coordination of business activities in accordance with RD 171/2004 according to the procedure and specifications established (available at <https://www.azti.es/en/recruitment-rules/>)
- In any case, and independently of any other documentation, the selected entity must present, before the formalization of the contract, a certificate that proves that it is up to date with the fulfillment of its tax and social security obligations.
- The selected entity must present the necessary documentation to formalize the contract within a period not exceeding 20 days from the award. Or the documentation, the selected entity must follow the Internal Contracting Regulations published at www.azti.es
- In addition to the technical and administrative conditions, AZTI will positively evaluate those suppliers who demonstrate that they maintain policies on Quality, Health and Safety, the Environment, Sustainable Mobility, as well as Corporate Social Responsibility.

The supplier shall include in its proposal those documents or records that allow verification of these policies (quality and environmental certificates, documentation relating to actions in matters of social responsibility, etc.)

8. GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION

Person in charge: Identity: FUNDACION AZTI - AZTI FUNDAZIOA - CIF: G48939508 Postal address: TXATXARRAMENDI UGARTEA Z/G SUKARRIETA (BIZKAIA) Telephone: 946574000 e-mail: lopd@azti.es.

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9. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

The selected entity will have to respond to the technical requirements described:

Tasks to be executed:

- Provide a bottom trawler for the cruise and follow the planning and instructions from the cruise leader.
- Operate the trawls according to the cruise plan: the vessel will operate with the regular fishing net and will alternate the use of 2 different codends, one with a nominal mesh size of 70 mm together with a 100 mm square mesh panel in the extension piece, as established by the regulation; and the other will correspond to a blind codend. Both codends shall be provided by the successful tenderer. To operate with these codends, the necessary permits shall be requested by AZTI to the competent authorities.

The selected entity must provide proof of:

- Having bottom trawlers operating on the coast of France (ICES 8abd zone).
- That the vessel to be used in the cruise has a wide working deck to operate the codends described in the planning, as well as a wide factory deck (processing area) where AZTI's technical staff can carry out their functions.
- Having two trawl nets of similar characteristics to operate alternately with each of the codends established in the description.
- Being available to carry out the cruise between the planned dates (June-July 2023).
- Having habitability for two scientific personnel during the foreseen period.



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Likewise, it will be assessed that the subcontracting service accredits:

- The possibility of holding face-to-face meetings for the preparation of the campaign between AZTI and the entity awarded the contract.
- The experience of the crew in oceanographic trawl campaigns. Having participated in previous experimental cruises with scientists on board.