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## Ex-Ante Publicity for Negotiated Procurement Procedure: Supply of Ratings Data to the European Banking Authority:

The European Banking Authority (EBA) is a European Commission agency, established by Regulation (EC) No. 1093/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 24 November 2010. It is one of the three European Supervisory Authorities (ESAs) that together with the European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) make up the new European architecture for financial supervision created in response to the financial crisis that hit the world in 2008. Together with the national supervisory authorities, the ESAs, the EBA's Joint Committee and the ESRB represent the new European System of Financial Supervision (ESFS). The EBA officially came into being on 1 January 2011. EBA's objective is to safeguard public values such as the stability of the financial system, the transparency of markets and financial products and the protection of depositors and investors. To do so it works closely with a network comprising EU and national bodies (national authorities in charge of banking supervision, central banks, other ESAs etc). Currently the EBA has 123 staff at offices in central London.

## **Description of the Contract:**

According to article 509 (4) of the CRR/CRD-IV EBA is mandated to report to the European Commission on appropriate uniform definitions of high and extremely high liquidity and credit quality of transferrable assets. In particular EBA is requested to report on how credit quality affects the liquidity of different assets. For that purpose EBA envisages awarding one or more contracts (with the possibility of renewal) for the provision of historic ratings of a wide range of European bonds. The ratings will be used for the purpose of this analysis only but stored at the EBA for documentation purposes. There will be no disclosure of individual ratings in the report. The underlying analysis will be carried out by the EBA in cooperation with member states either at the premises of the EBA or at the premises of the National Supervisory Authorities of the member states participating in the analysis.

## **Description of the Service:**

Supply of historic ratings for up to 100,000 individual ISINs from 1 November 2007 to 1 June 2013 in a flat file format.

## **Description of the Procedure:**

Interested companies may express their interest by sending an email to tenders@eba.europa.eu copied

to <u>luis.delolmo@eba.europa.eu</u> together with their name, address and business details before <u>10:00am</u> <u>BST on Friday 19 July 2013</u>.

Interested companies should have sufficient financial capacity to perform the contract. A statement of turnover and a balance sheet for the last 3 years (2010, 2011 and 2012) must be provided. The technical capacity of interested companies must comply with the following: 3 years of experience during the last 3 years (2010, 2011 and 2012) providing services similar to the ones described above. Interested economic operators should submit financial statements and demonstrate compliance in a declaration of interest (300 words maximum).

This ex-ante publication constitutes no obligation for the EBA to invite to tender any economic operator who expresses interest. Only the candidates invited by EBA to participate in the procedure will be admitted. The indicative date for launch of the procedure is **Monday 22 July 2013**. For more information about EBA please consult <u>http://www.eba.europa.eu</u>

Yours sincerely

(Signed)

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