



Framework of Information Requests

1. Basic principle

Please note that your information is only to be obtained as part of a non-binding information request. The companies which feel called upon by this information request are required not to submit legally binding offers in response to the request. Thus all prices, costs, etc. provided are non-binding and serve only to provide a market overview. In particular, this information request does not constitute a procurement procedure, and nor does it anticipate a procurement procedure. A legal entitlement to the execution of a contract award, a contract award decision, or the conclusion of a contract can be inferred neither by a market participant nor by the requesting DB company. You are not entitled to assert any claims against us based on this information request. In the event of a future contract award for the procurement of the goods and services queried in this information request, you will not incur any advantages or disadvantages as a result of participating in this information request.

2. Delivery criteria

You are asked to provide information on the following questions. Not all questions need to be answered. If you have received this information request via the DB AG contract award portal, please use the message functions there for your reply to us. Please answer by e-mail inquiries that you have received directly by e-mail. The preferred data format is Excel.

Technical specifications may be submitted in English if they are not available in German. You do not need to answer all the questions. Your transmission of information in the context of this information request is voluntary and non-binding. By submitting your information documents, you agree to provide the requesting DB company with your documents free of charge for the purpose of reviewing and elaborating on the findings obtained from them for the preparation and conduct of procurement proceedings. Thus, this information may be made available to interested market participants in such procurement proceedings to the extent deemed necessary to avoid possible distortion of competition.

3. Copyrights and data protection rights

You must observe any copyrights and data protection rights. Therefore, please do not submit any information/illustrations protected by copyright for which you do not have transferable usage rights so that the requesting DB company can use it – naturally without naming business and trade secrets etc. – for future procurement procedures.

4. Confidentiality of documents

As a market participant, you are obliged to treat the documents relating to the information request and all information you receive in the context of the same as confidential and not to use them for any other purpose than for this information request.



This does not apply to information that:

- was already lawfully in the participant's possession prior to disclosure;
- has been published without the involvement of the participant or has otherwise become public knowledge through no fault of the company;
- has been lawfully transmitted to the participant by third parties;
- must be disclosed due to legal requirements or owing to ordinances issued by the authorities or the courts.