



Call for expressions of interest to provide consultancy services for PROSAFE

Beginning in 2005 PROSAFE, the Product Safety Enforcement Forum of Europe, has undertaken a number of market surveillance joint actions. PROSAFE successfully completed at the end of 2008 the first phase of a joint action aimed at promoting best practice in market surveillance EMARS – enhancing market surveillance through Best Practice. A second phase is now underway. PROSAFE has also undertaken a number of joint actions targeted at specific product groups. These include lighters, sun beds, cords and strings in children’s clothing and toys. An application has been made for funding for four more such joint actions to begin in the autumn of 2009.

To cope with the burgeoning demands on the limited resources PROSAFE has at its disposal the organisation is publishing this call for expressions of interest to provide consultancy services. On the basis of this call PROSAFE will establish an reserve list of candidates who may be considered with respect to providing consultancy services in respect of a specific joint action or project that the organisation is undertaking.

Typically the work to be undertaken will include the management of a specific joint action or task.

This will require candidates to have an:

1. Excellent knowledge of:
 - relevant European Directives (GPSD and New Approach),
 - market surveillance and enforcement procedures (preferable consumer product safety)
 - risk assessment (preferable consumer product safety)
 - working procedures of the European Commission in co-operation with Member States;
2. Competence in project management;
3. Willingness to work as a member of a team within an established framework of policies and procedures with the minimum of supervision and with limited administrative support;
4. Willing to act as liaison between PROSAFE and GPSD network, the European Commission and relevant Administrative Cooperation groups;
5. Excellent active and passive knowledge of the English language and preferable good active/passive knowledge of other official European languages;

At this moment it is foreseen that any contracts would be drawn up under Dutch legislation. PROSAFE’s being established legally in the Netherlands.

If you are interested in expressing your interest please forward your CV with a covering letter to

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In your covering letter please give an indication of the likely daily fee you would request for your services and a statement of your availability in the coming six months.

Expressions of interest can be sent in at any time. Decisions to engage consultants on specific projects will be based on the candidatures that we have received at that the moment we identify a need that has to be met.