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Subject: Cancellation of procurement procedure: Assistance Services in Managing the Pilot Project on Investigative Journalism (PO 2010-28/A3)

Ref.: Your bid Ares(2010)891043 of 19 November 2010

Dear Mr Debruyne,

On 15 October 2010, the Commission published the call for tenders in question aiming to provide supporting services to the management of the Pilot Project on Investigation Journalism. This call for tenders accompanied the call for proposals n° A3/01-2010/PPIJ, aiming to allocate subsidies to journalists enabling them to make researches with a view to encouraging the development of serious cross-border journalistic research at the level of the Union.

We regret to inform you that we have **abandoned** the above procurement procedure.

The grounds for our decision are:

On the basis of the continuous analysis of the conditions in which the pilot project would be organized, questions put by the potential candidates about the call for proposals and contacts with the initiators of the project, the Commission has come to the conclusion that conditions for the success of the project are not fulfilled.

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The Commission has therefore decided to cancel the call for proposals.

Consequently, it is no longer necessary to have supporting services as defined by the call for tenders in question, and therefore, the contract will not be awarded.

Thank you for your interest in the work of the European Commission. We trust that it will be renewed in future procurement procedures.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sixtine Bouygues', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Sixtine Bouygues
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