1.9 Additional information

By virtue of Point 11.1(e) of Annex 1 FR (Financial Regulation 2018/1046), ECDC reserves the option to launch further negotiated procedure, with the contractor chosen as a result of the present call for tender, for new services consisting in the repetition of similar services during the three years following the signature of the original contract.

1.10 <u>Use of Electronic Procurement Tools (e-Procurement)</u>

The successful tenderer(s) shall take the appropriate measures to be compliant with e-invoicing and submit invoices through the system. The successful tenderer(s), whose tender was submitted as a joint tender, may be required to acquire a Global Location Number (GLN), at no additional cost for ECDC.

For additional information on ECDC's e-procurement tools, please refer to: https://ecdc.europa.eu/en/about-us/procurement-and-grants.

1.11 Public access to documents

In the general implementation of its activities and for the processing of tendering procedures in particular, ECDC observes Council Regulation (EC) No. 1049/2001 of 30 May 2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents.

2. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

2.1 General background

The European Surveillance of Antimicrobial Consumption ESAC-Net is a Europe-wide network of national surveillance systems providing independent reference data on antimicrobial consumption in Europe, reported by all EU/EEA countries. It collects and analyses data from the community (primary care) and the hospital sector. ESAC-Net will continuously make efforts improving collection of data e.g. from the hospital sector and if available of relevant epidemiological data, and reporting on antimicrobial consumption indicators.

ECDC provides public access to <u>ESAC-Net data</u> at the 4th level (i.e., subgroup) of the <u>Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) classification system</u>, in its annual report and in an interactive database on the ECDC website where country overviews summarising national results are also provided.

As per its mandate (Regulation 851/2004, Article 5), ECDC shall collect, collate, evaluate and disseminate relevant scientific and technical epidemiological surveillance data, and maintain the database(s) for which the funding in the EU Public Health programme ran out. Since 2011, ESAC-Net is the continuation of the former ESAC project.

The ECDC strategic multi-annual programme and the ECDC long-term surveillance strategy inform on the strategic objectives and targets for the period of 2021–2027, which will eventually determine the annual work plans for ESAC-Net within the <u>ECDC Disease Programme on Antimicrobial Resistance and Healthcareassociated Infections (ARHAI).</u>

ESAC-Net will continue to report data from EU/EEA countries, both in the community and in the hospital sector. EU/EEA countries are increasingly implementing actions aimed at controlling antimicrobial resistance through rational use of antimicrobial agents, including campaigns to raise awareness of the