

JA2015

PROSAFE is looking for consultants

Call for Tender to Provide Consultancy Services to PROSAFE

PROSAFE is a non-profit organisation for Market Surveillance Authorities throughout Europe. Its aim is to promote cooperation between these authorities in Joint Actions and to define and disseminate Best Market Surveillance Practice.

Since 2005, PROSAFE has been coordinating Joint Actions through which multiple numbers of market surveillance authorities work together in collaborative projects. Such work was initially focussed on the safety of products and covered such sectors as *Lighters, Sun beds, Cords and drawstrings, Toys, Helmets, Baby walkers, Child appealing appliances and Lighting chains*. More recently, the Joint Actions have additionally included development tasks, such as Risk Assessment, e-learning, Rapid Advice forum and mutual exchange of experience.

Since 2015, PROSAFE has also been coordinating similar collaborative activities for energy efficiency of products under the Horizon 2020 programme. The first of these, EEPLIANT, involves: *LED lamps, printers and heaters*. Soon also a second Joint Market Surveillance Action will start, dealing with the legal requirements of Car Tyres: MSTyr15. The PROSAFE Joint Actions are well known to the MS authorities and to EC officials. All the EU countries have participated two or more times.

In the area of Consumer products, we expect to start **Joint Action 2015** very soon, with five products and five development tasks. The products involved are: *Toys 4 (plasticised toys), Childcare articles nr.5 (soothers/holders), Playground Safety, Handheld Power Tools 2 and Electrical appliances*.

PROSAFE is now looking for an expert to deliver consultancy services for the Activity on [Electrical Appliances](#).

Generally, the **key responsibilities for the consultant** will include the coordination of a specific development or product task in cooperation with an Activity leader. Candidates should be independent of suppliers and test laboratories, be available for between 65-75 days spread over 26 months, and have:

1. Good knowledge of:
 - Relevant European Directives (GPSD and the New Approach);
 - Market surveillance and enforcement procedures;
 - Risk assessment.
2. Competence in project management & good organisational skills.
3. Experience in working in an international environment with people from several EU/EFTA Member states and cultures.
4. Readiness 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:
5. Excellent active and passive knowledge of English and, preferably, good active/passive knowledge of other official European languages;
6. No (possible) conflicts of interest with other activities.

Although based in Brussels, PROSAFE is legally established in the Netherlands. The contract will be drawn up under Dutch law.

Individuals interested in submitting their application are invited to send their CV and a cover letter not later than **27 February 2016** to:

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In the cover letter please give your motivation as well as an indication of the daily fee that you like to request for your services and a statement of your availability for the coming 26 months.