

Joint Market Surveillance Action on Harmonised Products - JAHARP2021 OMNIBUS

JAHARP2021-03 BRAKES

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Invitation to express interest to provide information

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1 Background

In the framework of the Joint Market Surveillance Action on HARmonised Products 2021 Omnibus JAHARP2021-03, a project co-funded by the European Union and coordinated by PROSAFE, one of the product activities concerns replacement aftermarket brake pads (brake linings) for category M1 (≤ 3.5 tonnes), small motor vehicles. These are subject to the provisions of Directive 71/320/EEC or UNECE Regulation No 90. The activity involves the Market Surveillance Authorities of Denmark, Latvia, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, and Romania.

During the activity, the Market Surveillance Authorities of each participating country will take samples of aftermarket brake pads from the market and send them to a Technical Service provider with the purpose of verifying compliance with the applicable requirements in UNECE Regulation No 90.

In the coming months, PROSAFE will issue an open Call for Tender for a Technical Service having accreditation under ISO/IEC 17025 to carry out the testing. The Call for Tender will be published on the PROSAFE website (<https://www.prosafe.org>) and will also be circulated by e-mail to all known Technical Services competent for such testing. Product sampling and testing is expected to be carried out during 2023.

PROSAFE is issuing this invitation to all known Technical Services competent in the area concerned to express their interest in the task and provide information useful for the preparation of the Call for Tender.

2 OBJECTIVE AND SCOPE

This invitation does not entail any commitment, financial or otherwise, on the part of PROSAFE or of responders; it serves as a non-binding, informal instrument for the purposes of collecting information on the services to be provided and their availability.

It should be stressed that this invitation does not constitute a public procurement procedure in the sense of Directive 71/320/EEC. We do not require bids or proposals. Consequently, information provided in response to this invitation is not of a contractual nature, it will not therefore be used for the selection of Technical Services, and it will be treated as confidential.

By responding to this invitation, you simply declare your preliminary interest in working with us in the framework of the project. PROSAFE is not bound to invite, contact or contract only Technical Services responding to this invitation. Responding to the invitation does not automatically mean that you are eligible to be contracted for relevant tasks. This will depend on fulfilment of the requirements and criteria set out in the future Call for Tender. PROSAFE does not check eligibility or any other conditions at this stage, and your response does not entail entitlement to any assignments.

PROSAFE also reserves the right to use or not to use the data obtained in the future Call for Tender and at this stage PROSAFE does not check the eligibility or best value for money of the prices presented.

3 PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA AND CONFIDENTIALITY

This invitation satisfies all conditions ensuring transparency and equal treatment, avoiding disclosure of privileged information and/or privileged market positions that may distort competition.

If processing your expression of interest involves the recording and processing of personal and sensitive data (such as name, address, email, prices, etc.) such data will be processed pursuant to Regulation (EU) 2016/679 on data protection and privacy in the European Union and the European Economic Area. Your reply to this invitation and any personal or sensitive data provided will be processed by PROSAFE, which also acts as the data controller solely for the purposes indicated in Section 2.

4 PROCEDURE

Please complete Tables A, B and C below and send your responses as soon as possible and no later than 16th November 2022 EOB (CET) by e-mail to the PROSAFE Office addressed to Mrs Ioana Sandu, Executive Director, at ioana@prosafe.org and to Mr Andrew Gordon, PROSAFE Facilitator, at andrew@cecompliancesolutions.co.uk

For clarification on any aspect of this invitation, please send an e-mail to the above addresses.

A. Identity of the Technical Service

Name of Technical Service	
Address	
Designation/Number	
Contact person	Name
	E-mail
	Telephone

B. Test programme and number of samples

Product testing of aftermarket brake pads (brake linings) for category M1 motor vehicles will be based on UNECE Regulation No 90, Annex 3.

Despite UNECE Regulation No 90, paragraph 5.1(d) not permitting the presence of asbestos, the project intends to include testing for the presence of asbestos in a small number of product samples. Such testing may be performed by the Technical Service and subcontracting is not allowed. In both cases, such testing must be performed by providers having ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation for that activity, as evidenced in the service provider's scope of accreditation.

Overall, the project allows for testing of approximately 50 brake pads with two samples of each product type being provided giving 100 brake pad sets in total.

Please provide an indicative cost for the following:

- a. Testing and preparation of a short-form technical report for one aftermarket brake pad product (including any discount that would be applied for testing approximately 50 brake pad products)
- b. Testing for the presence of asbestos for one aftermarket brake pad

C. Comments of suggestions

Please provide any comments or suggestions that might help PROSAFE and the project group in the preparation of the Call for Tender.

With best regard,



Ioana SANDU

Executive Director

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