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Planning

External Cold Reviews

National Audit Office

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-039594

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.nao.org.uk>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Audit and Assurance Services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

External Cold Reviews

Reference number

GEN_22_102

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As part of its quality assurance arrangements the NAO commissions independent quality assurance reviews of the technical rigour, methodological robustness, quality of argumentation and presentation of evidence in its published non-financial audit and VFM reports. Examples of reports are available on our website www.nao.org.uk. The NAO requires the following quality reviews to be carried out: •A total of 20 reviews per year of individual NAO products (number to be shared between the successful suppliers) The NAO intends to award two or three contracts for this quality assurance work, the exact allocation of which products to be reviewed will be at the discretion of the NAO.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

LONDON

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As part of its quality assurance arrangements the NAO commissions independent quality assurance reviews of the technical rigour, methodological robustness, quality of argumentation and presentation of evidence in its VFM reports and other publications. Examples of reports are available on our website www.nao.org.uk. The range and variety of types of our outputs is continually evolving. The NAO continues to develop the range of products that it produces in order meet the needs of Parliament, and to make best use of its knowledge. Over the period of the contract, further changes to the style, content and structure of reports may be made and service providers will need to engage with the NAO in order to respond to changes to criteria. The NAO requires the following quality reviews to be carried out: • a total of 20 reviews per year of individual NAO products (number to be shared between the successful suppliers). Reviews of individual NAO products - these reviews generate a written report, commenting against an agreed set of criteria, within four weeks from receipt by you of an electronic version of the NAO draft report. The NAO intends to award two or three contracts for this quality assurance work, the exact allocation of which products to be reviewed will be at the discretion of the NAO. Each contract will consist of product reviews of 6-10 (depending on number of successful suppliers, minimum of 2, maximum of 3 suppliers) published non financial audit products per year, plus or minus 1, within four weeks of receiving each one, using an agreed set of evaluative criteria. The Contractor will be required to conduct reviews of individual NAO products working to an agreed set of evaluative criteria and to discuss conclusions of the reviews with NAO study teams and senior staff as required.

II.2.14) Additional information

The NAO will be holding supplier days at 11:00am on 24/01/2023 and 25/01/2023. Please RSVP to nao.procurement@nao.org.uk with email details of attendees. Please notify us if these dates are unsuitable and we will endeavour to make other arrangements. The procurement will be managed electronically via BIPs Delta e-Sourcing Suite. Please ensure you register at <https://www.delta-esourcing.com>.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

9 February 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Victoria:-Research-and-development-services-and-related-consultancy-services./2635VNZ9N9>

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