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Planning

UK Plant Breeders Rights, National Listing and Seed Certification

ANIMAL AND PLANT HEALTH AGENCY (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UK Plant Breeders Rights, National Listing and Seed Certification

Reference number

P-30910

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73111000 - Research laboratory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

APHA on behalf of Defra, Scottish and Welsh Government are retendering the service provision for UK Plant Breeders Rights, National Listing and Seed Certification.

The lotted contract shall be for the provision of technical services relating to UK legislation for Variety Listing (official registration) of new varieties of the main agricultural and vegetable crop species, plant variety rights and certification of seed of agricultural species. Variety Listing is delivered jointly with the Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Northern Ireland.

APHA implement devolved Seeds marketing legislation in England and Wales on behalf of Defra and the Welsh Government. Scotland and Northern Ireland implement their own separate legislation.

Most of this work is subject to UK Legislation, which require that no private gain be made.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £12,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The likely lot structure is as follows:

Lot 1 - DUS testing of various species

Lot 2 - VCU trial organisation

Lot 3 - Disease testing

Lot 4 - Independent data review

Lot 5 - Seed Certification

Lot 6 - Seed Testing

II.2.14) Additional information

A market engagement event will be held via Microsoft Teams on 07/02/2023 between 14:00 and 16:00. For an invite to this event, please contact Helen.Evans@defra.gov.uk

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 July 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: No