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## Pan-Defra NEC Contract Management System

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F02: Contract notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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## Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UK - United Kingdom

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs

Buyer's address

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

## I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

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

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## I.5) Main activity

Environment

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

Pan-Defra NEC Contract Management System

Reference number

C27397

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

72222300 - Information technology services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Authority requires the provision of a Contract Management System (CMS) and any related services in order for Defra to manage various New Engineering Contracts (NEC), supporting a number of key infrastructure assets.

The Authority is seeking a direct supplier to provide a 'Commercial of the shelf' (COTS), 'Software as a Service' (SaaS), solution that also has the capability and expertise to manage all standard requirements of New Engineering Contract (NEC) model services, NEC3 and NEC4 contract forms, processes, clauses and roles promoted under NEC ways of working across the Defra Group.

The supplier shall also provide full implementation, transition, data migration support, initial and ongoing training with initial/ongoing technical support and all necessary system maintenance, including upgrades, throughout the contract term.

NEC contract management is an ongoing requirement for departments across the Authority. The suite of NEC contracts that are used by the Authority include, but are not limited to, the Engineering and Construction Contract (ECC), Engineering and Construction Short Contract (ECSC), Facilities Management Contract (FMC), Term Service Contract (TSC) and Professional Services Contract (PSC). As multiple partner agencies across the Authority use this standard suite of contracts, one system is being sought to enable consistency and improved ways of working across the Authority group.

The list of Defra Group agencies covered by this procurement are listed here <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations#department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs">https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations#department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs</a>.

The contract value is expected to be up to £8,000,000 (net of VAT) during the overall maximum 8-year term (5+1+1+1), which includes the cost of implementation, ongoing operational service charges, contract extensions, contract changes and an allowance for indexing of prices. The contract value is an estimate only and will be dependent upon whether an extension (in part or in whole) is enacted, whether any optional services (in part or in whole) are enacted, the extent of any contract changes, and the indices used to index prices.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72212331 Project management software development services
- 48490000 Procurement software package
- 48482000 Business intelligence software package
- 72212331 Project management software development services
- 72212311 Document management software development services
- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £8,000,000

### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract term shall be 5 years with the potential for 1 + 1 + 1 years in extension periods.

### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial contract term shall be 5 years with the potential for 1 + 1 + 1 years in extension periods.

## II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

## III.1) Conditions for participation

## III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## Section IV. Procedure

## **IV.1) Description**

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

## IV.2) Administrative information

## IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

14 February 2025

Local time

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IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 31 December 2025

## IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

14 February 2025

Local time

4:00pm

Place

Electronic

# Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk

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This is a recurrent procurement: Yes
VI.4) Procedures for review
VI.4.1) Review body
Public Procurement Review Body
N/A
N/A
N/A
Email
publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk
Country
United Kingdom
Internet address
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit
VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures
Public Procurement Review Body
N/A
N/A
N/A
Email

Country
United Kingdom
Internet address
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit
VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained
Public Procurement Review Body
N/A
N/A
N/A
Email
publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk
Country
United Kingdom
Internet address
https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit