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# ID 4563714 SEUPB - Training and Resource to Assess PEACEPLUS Programme

The Special EU Programmes Body

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

The Special EU Programmes Body

M:Tek Building II

Monaghan

H18 YH59

#### **Email**

SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Buyer's address

https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

# 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://etendersni.gov.uk/epps

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

# I.5) Main activity

General public services

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

ID 4563714 SEUPB - Training and Resource to Assess PEACEPLUS Programme

Reference number

4563714

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72221000 - Business analysis consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The SEUPB (Special EU Programmes Body) requires support in delivering technical programme activities including training for SEUPB's existing and new staff and assessment support. This Contract will commence on the date of Contract award which is envisaged to be March 2023 and will be in place until 31 December 2027. There is one option to extend for any period, up to and including, 6 months.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,900,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

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

- 80500000 Training services
- 72224000 Project management consultancy services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

- 79410000 Business and management consultancy services
- 79411000 General management consultancy services
- 79411100 Business development consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

- UKN Northern Ireland
- IE0 Ireland

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £1,900,000

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

Duration in months

59

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There is one option to extend for any period, up to and including, 6 months.

#### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

A new European Union funded programme "PEACEPLUS" has been designed to support peace and prosperity across Northern Ireland and the border counties of Ireland, building upon the work of the previous PEACE and INTERREG Programmes. The design reflects the importance of peace-building activity, but also the importance of actions that will contribute positively to the economy, building prosperity.

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

# III.1) Conditions for participation

#### 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

20 February 2023

Local time

3:00pm

#### 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: 21 May 2023

#### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

20 February 2023

Local time

3:30pm

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.3) Additional information

The figure indicated in Section II 1.5 represents an estimated contract value. This value reflects the potential scale of the contract, however, neither CPD nor the Authority can provide any guarantee as to the level of business under this contract. The Contracting Authority does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. Economic Operators remain responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by them. or by any third party acting under instructions from the Economic Operator in connection with taking part in this procurement process regardless of whether such costs arise as a consequence, directly or indirectly of any amendments made to the procurement documents by the Contracting Authority at any time. No legally binding contract shall arise (and an Economic Operator shall have no legitimate expectation that a contract will be entered into) until such time as entry into the Contract has been confirmed by the Contracting Authority. Economic Operators should note that all dates, time periods and figures in relation to values and volumes specified in this notice and the procurement documents are approximate only and the Contracting Authority reserves the right to change any or all of them. The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the Notice.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland, Royal Courts of Justice

Belfast

Country

**United Kingdom** 

# VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will comply with the requirements of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and, where applicable, will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to all Economic Operators.