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Tender Gigabit Capable Connectivity

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

24 September 2025 - no time specified

See the change notice.

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/ccs

I.3) Communication

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

https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Public Procurement

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Gigabit Capable Connectivity

Reference number

RM6095

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) set up a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for a period of 48 months and this is now being extended for a further 24 months and is inviting interested bidders to apply for the Gigabit Capable Connectivity (GCC) DPS. This DPS will provide central government and wider sector organisations with the opportunity to procure GCC services via a managed connectivity service or through a fibre infrastructure service from a range of suppliers. This DPS is suitable for use by organisations who have secured funding through the LFFN programme

<u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-full-fibre-networks-challenge-fund</u> If you are successfully appointed to the DPS you will be invited by customers (buyers) to submit tenders for relevant services through a competition. This DPS remains open for bidders to request to participate throughout its duration.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32400000 Networks
- · 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 45231600 Construction work for communication lines
- 45232300 Construction and ancillary works for telephone and communication lines
- 50330000 Maintenance services of telecommunications equipment
- 51340000 Installation services of line telephony equipment
- 64200000 Telecommunications 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

The supplier shall have the ability to provide gigabit capable connectivity services via a managed connectivity service or through a fibre infrastructure service to central government and wider public sector organisations in accordance with the Contract Notice authorised customer list.

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: £500,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

CCS may extend the duration of the DPS for any period from the expiry of the initial RM6095 DPS. CCS reserve the right to reduce, extend or terminate the DPS period at any time during its lifetime in accordance with the terms set out in the DPS Terms and Conditions and Bid Pack.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

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Suppliers will be assessed on their response to the selection criteria in their request to participate for a place on RM6095 - Gigabit Capable Connectivity DPS. The procurement bid pack and registration details can be accessed via the following URL address <u>https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps</u> and by selecting the "Technology" link. Please read the DPS Needs document first for a full overview of the procurement process and read the instructions carefully. To register for the RM6095 DPS Agreement please select the "Access as a Supplier" link which can be located at the URL address above. An example of how to register for the DPS platform can be found at the following youtube generic guide

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cngu3vHP7ug&feature=youtu.be

Please note that to register you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for theorganisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so. The procurement will be managed electronically via CCS. The value provided in Section II.1.5) is only an estimate. We cannot guarantee any business to suppliers through this DPS Agreement. This procurement offering does not guarantee any minimum spend and there will be no form of exclusivity or volume guarantee under this DPS. As part of this Contract Notice the bid pack and the following documents can be accessed at the link provided below:

1) Contract Notice authorised customer list;

2) Rights reserved for CCS DPS Agreement https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/8e2829cab5b5-4d41-97fb-2adb6fbb7381

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

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

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24 September 2025

See the change notice.

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The value provided in Section II.1.5) is only an estimate. The Authority cannot guarantee to suppliers any business through this DPS Agreement. The Authority expressly reserves the right:

(i) not to award any DPS Agreement as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the customer be liable for any costs incurred by the suppliers.

We consider that the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 ("TUPE") may apply at the call for competition.

It is the suppliers responsibility to take your own advice and consider whether TUPE is likely to apply in the particular circumstances of the contract and to act accordingly.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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info@crowncommercial.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

There is no right of appeal in this procurement. If you have a complaint or seek to challenge the outcome,

please follow the guidance on procedure contained in the previous section.