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Opportunity

Scottish Air Quality and Website Database

Scottish Government

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Government

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

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://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html>

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

Scottish Air Quality and Website Database

Reference number

CASE/688677

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 90731100 - Air quality management

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Since 2006, the Scottish Air Quality Website and Database project (SAQD) has collated air quality data obtained by local authorities and made these widely available via a dedicated website. Other key elements of the project include ensuring the quality and compatibility of data, improved mapping of background pollutant concentrations and analysis of trends in air pollution in Scotland.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,100,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The SAQD is a valuable resource for the Scottish Government, SEPA, local authorities and others with an interest in air quality, and contributes to the development and assessment of air quality policy and legislation in Scotland. It also supports central and local government and SEPA in undertaking their statutory responsibilities in relation to air quality at Scottish, UK and international levels. In addition, the database provides information which allows health professionals to assess, in near real-time, any health effects of, for example, air pollution episodes and, for longer term epidemiological studies. To ensure that the website is as comprehensive as possible, there are also prominent links to other sources of air quality data and information in Scotland such as the SEPA Scottish Pollution Release Inventory and the Low Emission Zones Scotland website.

The Scottish Government wishes to continue this work, and further develop and enhance the services provided through the SAQD, together with ensuring that it remains accessible and relevant to the widest possible range of users.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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

12 month optional extension period

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There will be the option to extend for 12 months

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

Tenderers must be UKAS Accredited and hold ISO 17025. Tenderers who do not hold this accreditation will not have their bid considered further.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

It is a requirement of this contract that bidders hold or can commit to obtain prior to the commencement of any subsequently awarded contract, the types of insurance indicated below:

Professional Risk Indemnity: 1 000 000 GBP

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability: In accordance with any legal obligation for the time being in force.

Public Liability: 1 000 000 GBP

Bidders must also have a Dun and Bradstreet failure score higher than 50.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

Minimum number of relevant examples: 2

Suppliers must provide two different examples of your experience. Each different example must be relevant to the requirement. Examples should be concise but generally in the 300 word range. Examples should be recent, within the last 3 years.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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

28 February 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

28 February 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The PCS-Tender Project Code is 25797 ITT Code 53101

Bidders must complete the SPD along with all other tender documentation contained within PCS-T. The SPD will be scored on a pass/fail basis.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 25797. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

A sub-contract clause has been included in this contract. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2363>

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

The tenderer must provide a Community Benefits proposal that is relevant to the subject matter of this contract and supports the Scottish Ministers' commitment to contributing to the social, economic & environmental well-being of the people of Scotland, as described in the specification.

Tenderers should not provide details of any existing initiatives they already undertake as part of their day-to-day business and the community benefits proposed must be generated specifically for and as a result of this contract.

Good answers will demonstrate to evaluators that the tenderer has a comprehensive understanding of the subject matter of this contract and how the proposed benefits will reflect the national outcomes described in the Specification.

Proposals can be innovative but must be tangible and measurable, so that they can be monitored and reported throughout the contract.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court

5 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Country

United Kingdom