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## **IP Patent Attorney Services and IP Landscaping Services**

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d643

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Campus

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

#### **Contact**

Vincent Tsang

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[vincent.tsang@ukaea.uk](mailto:vincent.tsang@ukaea.uk)

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

**National registration number**

N/A

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/72814>

**I.3) Communication**

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

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance\\_s.asp?PID=89657&B=UKAEA](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance_s.asp?PID=89657&B=UKAEA)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance\\_s.asp?PID=89657&B=UKAEA](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance_s.asp?PID=89657&B=UKAEA)

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Fusion Research

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

IP Patent Attorney Services and IP Landscaping Services

Reference number

T/EA198/24

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79120000 - Patent and copyright consultancy services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

UKAEA seeks to appoint suppliers across Intellectual Property (IP) Patent Attorney Services and Patent Search & Landscaping Services. The contracting authority seeks to engage qualified and experienced supplier(s) to support its operational, strategic, and compliance objectives across these two critical service areas.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

IP Patent Attorney Services

Lot No

1

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

- 79100000 - Legal services
- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

UKAEA seeks to appoint a panel (“the Panel”) of two IP patent attorney firms to provide high quality, professional and expert services relating to UKAEA's intellectual property portfolio.

Our IP portfolio covers a very wide range of areas including, but not limited to: novel materials, software, robotics, manufacturing, management of hydrogen isotopes, magnets, plasma, sensors and diagnostics, waste management and decommissioning, thermal management, and power generation technologies.

The Consultant(s) are to provide cost effective, general intellectual property advice and to undertake the preparation, registration and prosecution of applications for patents, and other forms of registered intellectual property across all of the technical areas of UKAEA.

### **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: £1,800,000

### **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

Option to extend a further 1+1 years

### **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

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Patent Search & Landscaping Services

Lot No

2

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

- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79120000 - Patent and copyright consultancy services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

UKAEA seeks to appoint a single provider of patent search and landscaping services.

Our IP portfolio covers a very wide range of areas including, but not limited to: novel materials, software, robotics, manufacturing, management of hydrogen isotopes, magnets, plasma, sensors and diagnostics, waste management and decommissioning, thermal management, and power generation technologies.

The Consultant is to provide a range of cost-effective, high-quality search and landscaping services.

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## **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

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Refer to Procurement Documents for information.



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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 3

#### **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 2025

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**

Tender must be valid until: 29 May 2025

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

Date

28 February 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

UK Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

UK Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers.

This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the authority before a contract is entered into applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request. Additional debriefing and that information have to be provided within a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be sought from the contact named in this notice.

If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No. 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

Any such action must be brought promptly.

(generally within 3 months).

### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

UK Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>