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Planning

Serviced Office Framework

British Council

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 70000000 - Real estate services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The British Council is seeking appropriate providers of serviced office, co-working, hybrid and managed space to provide flexible working solutions to support the changing needs of our business and global estate portfolio.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,700,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 70000000 - Real estate services
- 70330000 - Property management services of real estate on a fee or contract basis
- 70220000 - Non-residential property renting or leasing services
- 70310000 - Building rental or sale services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice is to inform and to facilitate market interest and engagement in our intentions to procure a Global Services Framework Agreement with one or more global provider's of flexible space solutions - prior to the formal commencement of procurement. The objective of the Procurement is to; Establish a Global Services Agreement with a global serviced accommodation provider(s) that provides the British Council with innovative and flexible space solutions that support the regions in delivering the British Council's Corporate Plan, its commercial business outcomes and its cultural relations impact worldwide. The British Council's preference would be to enter a Global Service Agreement with a provider that has assets in the majority of countries / regions within which the British Council operates. However we are also keen to explore options which may include a consortium led approach, bringing together multiple smaller providers across our global footprint, or options involving consultancy/brokerage firms to act as the single point of contact while allowing access to multiple providers of shared office space. A list of countries from which the British Council operates can be found at <https://www.britishcouncil.org/Establish> a contractual arrangement that provides a point of contact, pre-agreed specifications, terms and conditions and full visibility of costs and applicable discounts. To have a non-exclusive relationship that does not commit the British Council to spend. A preference to work with providers that can offer centralised financial management on a global / regional basis. Enable the business to improve the performance and management of its Global Estate Portfolio.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

5 March 2021

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The way we work is changing, the British Council's approach to optimising Flex Space Strategy is to augment its current property solution capability with the ability to provide space outside the conventional lease markets. In order to meet the changing needs of the business the British Council's Global Estates' Strategic Objective is to provide a variety of environments that suit our changing work modalities, provide flexible short term solutions, flexibility for employees, flexible and reduced real estate costs, improved work setting choice and positively impact user engagement levels. Initial introductory sessions may be held with the British Council to identify Services suppliers with appropriate and representative experience complementary to the nature of the British Council's objectives and global portfolio.