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## **Systems Integrator – Guinness Property Transformation Programme Market Testing**

The Guinness Partnership Ltd

F01: Prior information notice

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

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

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Buyer's address

<http://www.guinnesspartnership.com/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Opportunities>

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**

Housing and community amenities

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Systems Integrator – Guinness Property Transformation Programme Market Testing

Reference number

DN531269

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

Guinness Property (GP) has recently undergone a significant transformation, with resourcing derived from demand, new systems and processes for delivering the work and are now organised on a regional basis: North East, North West, South Central and South Coast with a Planned Maintenance team operating in the North.

GP employ around 440 people in total, of which around 70% are field based operatives.

The roll-out of new systems and processes to deliver the work has so far focused on repairs. In order to implement new systems and processes redesigned for all other services, a new IT solution for planning and scheduling is required.

The Programme is now ready to move to that next stage which involves the procurement of a single system solution to enable the roll-out and take wider opportunities in line with TGP's IT strategy. This includes the integration of systems via the Azure integration layer, and Cloud hosting of the single system solution. To enable TGP to deliver on these objectives and provide a specialist team for the implementation, TGP plans to embark on the procurement of a Systems Integrator to manage the implementation.

Guinness is looking to contract with a Systems Integrator to assist in achieving our goal of modernising the overall system architecture and exploiting the opportunity to move applications onto cloud hosting (saving further operating costs and reducing business risk).

The primary role of the Systems Integrator (SI) will be to deliver the end to end design, implement the single system solution and manage work across other third-party suppliers as needed. It is expected that the SI will provide and manage resources to deliver the integrations via the Azure integration layer, whilst the single system provider will be responsible for the design and delivery of the single system configuration.

The SI will also be required to produce an initial systems architecture blueprint to identify the integration points that will need to be refactored in the future when the related systems

are migrated to the Cloud, and identify how overall system solution performance will be validated.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

This prior information notice is to signal an intention to commence market engagement with those within the Systems Integrator market. Please contact [procurement@guinness.org.uk](mailto:procurement@guinness.org.uk) for a copy of the soft market testing brief including requirements. We would be grateful for any information you are willing to share with us to be sent via email to [procurement@guinness.org.uk](mailto:procurement@guinness.org.uk) by 19 March 2021.

GP are looking to secure an SI to provide technical expertise and assist in meeting the overall business objectives but would like a better understanding of the market before formally commencing the procurement process. You may be invited to discuss your offering face to face, if necessary.

Virtual meetings for the market engagement process will be held using Microsoft Teams. Dates are still to be confirmed but it is anticipated that these will occur in late March 2021.

The information will only be used by Guinness colleagues involved in the procurement process and will NOT be shared with any third party. SIs will NOT be tied to any information they supply; the procurement process will be separate to this RFI.

If you have questions about what any part of this request, please contact Daniel Moore, Category Manager via [procurement@guinness.org.uk](mailto:procurement@guinness.org.uk)

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

22 April 2021

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## **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: Yes