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Tender

## **Arts Access Scheme - "All-In" Digital Membership System**

The Arts Council of England

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.artscouncil.org.uk](http://www.artscouncil.org.uk)

Buyer's address

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Recreation, culture and religion

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Arts Access Scheme - "All-In" Digital Membership System

Reference number

ACE 504 ITT

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

- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services

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

Services

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

Arts Council England intends to commission a Digital Membership System (DMS), as part of a programme of work to develop a UK-wide access scheme, All In, which will improve access, usability, and inclusion for D/deaf, disabled and neurodivergent people to creative and cultural activity across the UK. The DMS will allow customers to sign up to All In and create a profile giving details of their access requirements. Organisations will also subscribe via the DMS and create profiles for their access provisions and performances. The database of organisations and their provisions will be used to create access directories to aid customers to find events and activities that meet their requirements.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,060,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

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

Arts Council England intends to commission a Digital Membership System (DMS), as part of a programme of work to develop a UK-wide access scheme, All In, which will improve access, usability, and inclusion for D/deaf, disabled and neurodivergent people to creative and cultural activity across the UK. All In will offer practical tools that will help organisations offer better access provisions in a more efficient manner, underpinned by industry backed access standards for the sector as well as training and support to meet those standards. It will also provide audience insights for partners and participating venues. The DMS will be one of the cornerstones of All In, as a tool which facilitates the connection between creative and cultural organisations and their customers. The DMS will allow customers to sign up to All In and create a profile giving details of their access requirements. Organisations will also subscribe via the DMS and create profiles for their access provisions and performances. The database of organisations and their provisions will be used to create access directories to aid customers to find events and activities that meet their requirements. An organisation's subscription will also give them access to the database of customers and their requirements. The DMS will therefore be a tool which allows customers to quickly and easily share their requirements with any arts or cultural organisation they wish to attend, either through tech integrations with their existing ticketing and CRM software or by manual look up. We are open to different approaches to delivering a DMS either being procured from a consortium or a single multi-disciplined supplier, with the development work occurring within the UK.

### **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: £1,060,000

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

As detailed in the SQ Instructions document. ACE reserves the right, in its absolute discretion, to invite to tender more than five (5) compliant Bidders, where there is a tie amongst multiple Bidders for the fifth place.

### **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.2.14) Additional information**

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Restricted 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-023898](#)

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

14 March 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

2 April 2024

#### **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)

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

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

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

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

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

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

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

Royal Courts of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom