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UK GOVERNMENT WEB ARCHIVE & EU EXIT WEB ARCHIVE

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES

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RICHMOND

TW94DU

Email

procurement@nationalarchives.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI75 - Hounslow and Richmond upon Thames

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/a6a378a6-1718-4678-8dc8-60bd24449be7>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/a6a378a6-1718-4678-8dc8-60bd24449be7>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UK GOVERNMENT WEB ARCHIVE & EU EXIT WEB ARCHIVE

Reference number

TNA516

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

The National Archives' current contract for managing and developing the UK Government Web Archive and the EU Exit Web Archive is due to expire at the end of August, 2023. As such, we invite interested parties to submit bids for a replacement contract to commence in September, 2023. The initial contract period will be 43 months, with three optional extension periods of up to 12 months each.

UK Government Web Archive (UKGWA)

www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/webarchive/

The Keeper of Public Records and Chief Executive of The National Archives (TNA), is appointed by the Secretary of State for DCMS under the Public Record Act 1958. The Keeper has a broad duty to take all practicable steps for the preservation of public records and also to provide reasonable facilities for the public to inspect and access public records.

Over the last 25 years an important part of the public record has been published on the web. TNA delivers a service to capture these records and make them available to the public. The operating model involves an in-house team alongside a contract for the provision of web archiving services. The contracted services involve crawling government websites, storing the contents in the UKGWA and making the contents available to the public. These records also provide valuable contextual information for other records when they are eventually made available by TNA.

EU Exit Web Archive (EEWA)

<https://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/eu-exit/>

The European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018, Schedule 5, created a duty on the King's Printer (also the Keeper and Chief Executive of TNA) to publish certain documents that were originally adopted as EU legislation, which have been retained and incorporated into UK domestic law. There is also a power to publish other documents, including the decisions of the European Court of Justice. To fulfil this duty, the EEWA serves as a comprehensive archive of EU Law, as it stood at Exit Day and later on Implementation Period Day, as a permanent record of the law at those Completion points.

For both web archives, the contractor will provide crawling services to harvest content from websites, replay services so users can access the archived content, search services, access management services, and hosting management services (the service will be hosted in TNA's AWS account but managed by the supplier).

ITT documents are available on request, from procurement@nationalarchives.gov.uk

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,100,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: £2,100,000

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

Duration in months

43

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Three optional extension periods of up to 12 months each.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Three optional extension periods of up to 12 months each.

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.4) Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

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

14 April 2023

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)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The National Archives

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Richmond

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Country

United Kingdom