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Tender

PS25001 - Scientific Research and Advice for Government Dynamic Purchasing System - DPS Application

The Department for Science, Innovation & Technology (DSIT)

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

PS25001 - Scientific Research and Advice for Government Dynamic Purchasing System - DPS Application

Reference number

PS25001

II.1.2) Main CPV code

73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The final date and time for initial DPS Applications is Monday 31st March 2025 at 11:00 am

DO NOT apply directly to the buyer.

All tender information MUST be submitted through the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal.

Brief Description of Requirement

UKSBS (Central Purchasing Body) on behalf of the Department for Science, Innovation & Technology (DSIT) (the Contracting Authority) wishes to establish a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for the provision of Scientific research & advice for Government.

UKSBS is managing this procurement process in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as may be amended from time to time) (the "Regulations")

This is a Services Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

The Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) shall be in operation until either the DPS exceeds its advertised value or an end date of 23rd February 2029, whichever occurs first.

You can apply to join the DPS at any point and don't require any special IT equipment as a DPS eliminates unnecessary activity for you upfront.

Full details of the DPS scope and Application information can be found within the notice attachments and within the attachment tab on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal

How to Apply

UK Shared Business Services Ltd (UK SBS) will be using the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal for this procurement.

To register on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal please use the link https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/ and follow the instructions to register as a supplier.

If you are already registered on the Jaggaer eSourcing Portal and wish to participate in this procurement, please use the link: https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/.

Once you are logged into the system you will be able to locate the Procurement you wish to leave a bid on by clicking the PQQs Open to All Suppliers and searching for the reference number PQQ82.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £9,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73110000 Research services
- 73400000 Research and Development services on security and defence materials

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Background

The Department for Science, Innovation and Technology (DSIT) works to accelerate innovation, investment and productivity through world-class science, ensure that new and existing technologies are safely developed and deployed across the UK and drive forward a modern digital government for the benefit of its citizens.

These goals, like many of the shared goals of government, requires robust scientific research and advice to enable greater evidence-based decision-making.

Therefore, DSIT is proposing a new Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) for government to more effectively procure a range of scientific services from specialist suppliers. The intention is to allow policy teams working across government departments and Arms-Length Bodies (ALBs) the opportunity to access cutting-edge research, scientific advice and services from relevant experts to support delivery of government aims.

A full list of the Contracting Bodies that will be able to access this DPS can be found at: https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations

DPS Aim, Objectives and Scope

DSIT's purpose is driving economic growth, improving the performance and productivity of government and empowering citizens.

We will achieve our purpose by maximising:

- the impact of government action to support R&D, science and technology on the UK's national and regional growth.
- value for money for the taxpayer by applying AI and digital technologies to transform the citizen's experience of public service by making it more effective, convenient and productive.
- the control people can exercise over their interaction with government by widening and deepening their digital skills, knowledge and trust in technology.

We propose this DPS as a method of simplifying access to scientific research and advice within government, impacting policymaking and delivery by better evidencing decision-making. This will reduce barriers to procuring R&D inputs across government, raise awareness of public and private organisations that can deliver scientific solutions, and ultimately improving the performance and productivity of government functions.

We anticipate this DPS will be utilised for research and development projects across a

wide variety of scientific and technological fields in these broad areas:

- chemistry, engineering, mathematical sciences, physics, metrology, and materials
- biology, health research, infections and immunity, neurosciences and mental health
- atmospheric physics and chemistry, geosciences, ecology, biodiversity and climate
- astronomy, particle and nuclear physics, accelerator science and computational science
- Clean energy, nuclear, fusion, fission
- plants, animals (including humans) and microbes

(more fields may be considered).

The DPS is seeking expert science organisations with the in-house laboratory capability to design, conduct and disseminate scientific research projects for government departments. These projects may be highly diverse but should directly support government policy and decision-making through producing scientific evidence, with the goal of improving the evidence base that policy teams throughout government rely on, leading to greater opportunities to maximise societal benefits across the UK.

Suppliers may be commissioned to undertake scientific reviews, design and carry out experiments, or provide expert/technical advice on specific policy options for use by the public sector.

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: £9,000,000

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

Start date

28 April 2025

End date

23 February 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

The dynamic purchasing system might be used by additional purchasers

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: 2025/S 000-002494

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

Date

31 March 2025

Local time

11:00am

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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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