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# Spark — The Technology Innovation Marketplace

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

F02: Contract notice

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15 November 2026, 11:59pm

See the change notice.

# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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# Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

## Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/ccs

# 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://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps

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

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

# I.5) Main activity

Other activity

**Public Procurement** 

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

Spark — The Technology Innovation Marketplace

Reference number

RM6094

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 30200000 - Computer equipment and supplies

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

## II.1.4) Short description

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) set up a dynamic purchasing system for a period of 48 months and invited bidders to request to participate for the Spark — The Technology Innovation Marketplace DPS. This DPS provides central government and wider public sector departments the opportunity to procure an extensive range of innovative technology products and services. The four (4) distinct elements of the DPS service filters are subject/problem area, delivery method (technology type), geographical location and security level. Appointed Suppliers will be invited by customers (buyers) to submit tenders for relevant services through a call for competition.

This notice is to advise this DPS has been extended until 15/04/2023 based on current spend profiling there is no need to increase the total value.

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £650,000,000

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

- 30162000 Smart cards
- 30210000 Data-processing machines (hardware)
- 30211100 Super computer
- 30212000 Minicomputer hardware
- 30215000 Microcomputer hardware
- 30216000 Magnetic or optical readers
- 30220000 Digital cartography equipment
- 30230000 Computer-related equipment
- 30231000 Computer screens and consoles
- 30232000 Peripheral equipment
- 30232100 Printers and plotters
- 30233000 Media storage and reader devices
- 30236000 Miscellaneous computer equipment
- 30237000 Parts, accessories and supplies for computers
- 31712000 Microelectronic machinery and apparatus and microsystems
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32260000 Data-transmission equipment
- 32270000 Digital transmission apparatus
- 32333000 Video recording or reproducing apparatus
- 32340000 Microphones and loudspeakers
- 32400000 Networks
- 32420000 Network equipment
- 32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies
- 32510000 Wireless telecommunications system
- 33000000 Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
- 34000000 Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

- 34144900 Electric vehicles
- 34150000 Simulators
- 34711200 Non-piloted aircraft
- 34933000 Navigation equipment
- 35700000 Military electronic systems
- 38100000 Navigational and meteorological instruments
- 38221000 Geographic information systems (GIS or equivalent)
- 38650000 Photographic equipment
- 42960000 Command and control system, printing, graphics, office automation and informationprocessing equipment
- 45314000 Installation of telecommunications equipment
- 45314320 Installation of computer cabling
- 48000000 Software package and information systems
- 50300000 Repair, maintenance and associated services related to personal computers, office equipment, telecommunications and audio-visual equipment
- 51300000 Installation services of communications equipment
- 51610000 Installation services of computers and information-processing equipment
- 64210000 Telephone and data transmission services
- 71316000 Telecommunication consultancy services
- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72212460 Analytical, scientific, mathematical or forecasting software development services
- 72212482 Business intelligence software development services
- 72220000 Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72222300 Information technology services
- 72240000 Systems analysis and programming services
- 72244000 Prototyping services
- 72253000 Helpdesk and support services

- 72300000 Data services
- 72500000 Computer-related services
- 73400000 Research and Development services on security and defence materials
- 73410000 Military research and technology
- 73421000 Development of security equipment
- 73422000 Development of firearms and ammunition
- 73423000 Development of military vehicles
- 73424000 Development of warships
- 73425000 Development of military aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts
- 73426000 Development of military electronic systems
- 73431000 Test and evaluation of security equipment
- 73432000 Test and evaluation of firearms and ammunition
- 73434000 Test and evaluation of warships
- 73435000 Test and evaluation of military aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts
- 73436000 Test and evaluation of military electronic systems
- 80533000 Computer-user familiarisation and training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UK - United Kingdom

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

The supplier shall have the ability to provide innovative technology products and services to central government and wider public sector departments

# II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Customers may enter into a contract with a supplier for a period of their determining which may exceed the RM6094 Spark DPS Agreement, should this agreement be terminated at any time. The flexibility of the contracting period allows customers (Buyers) to determine appropriate contracting timelines required to enable the supplier to meet customer needs.

## 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

This is an extension of 12 months following the initial period of 48 months

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

# III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Suppliers will be assessed on their response to the selection criteria in their request to participate for a place on RM6094 — Spark — The Technology Innovation Marketplace DPS. The procurement bid pack and registration details can be accessed via the following URL address <a href="https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps">https://supplierregistration.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/dps</a> and be selecting the "Technology" link. Please read the DPS Needs document first for a full overview of the procurement process and read the instructions carefully. To register for the RM6094 DPS Agreement please select the "Access as a Supplier" link which can be located at the URL address above. An example of how to register for the DPS platform can be found at the following youtube generic guide

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cngu3vHP7ug&feature=youtu.be

Please note that to register you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so. The procurement will be managed electronically via CCS. The value provided in Section II.1.5) is only an estimate. We cannot guarantee to suppliers any business through this DPS Agreement. This procurement offering does not guarantee any minimum spend and there will be no form of exclusivity or volume guarantee under this DPS. As part of this Contract Notice the bid pack and the following documents can be accessed at the link provided below: 1) Contract Notice authorised customer list; 2) Rights reserved for CCS DPS Agreement

https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/b683d618-769a-4bea-90ad-51bda7f70ae9

## 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

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

Originally published as:

Date

14 April 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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Date

15 November 2026

Local time

11:59pm

See the change notice.

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.3) Additional information

This DPS has been extended for 12 Months. The reasoning for this is to establish market requirements for a replacement.

The value provided in Section II.1.5) is only an estimate. The Authority cannot guarantee to suppliers any business through this DPS Agreement. The Authority expressly reserves the right:

- (i) not to award any DPS Agreement as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; and
- (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the customer be liable for any costs incurred by the suppliers.
- (iii) to make changes to the management charge applicable to this DPS in relation to both the percentage charged and the methodology used.

We consider that the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations 2006 ("TUPE") may apply at the call for competition.

It is the Supplier's responsibility to take their own advice and consider whether TUPE is likely to apply in the particular circumstances of the contract and to act accordingly.

On 2.4.2014 Government introduced its Government Security Classifications (GSC) scheme which replaced Government Protective Marking Scheme (GPMS). A key aspect is the reduction in the number of security classifications used. All bidders should make

themselves aware of the changes as it may impact on this requirement. The link below to Gov.uk provides information on the GSC at:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications.

Cyber Essentials is a mandatory requirement for central government contracts which involve handling personal information or provide certain ICT products/services. Government is taking steps to reduce the levels of cyber security risk in its supply chain through the Cyber Essentials scheme. The scheme defines a set of controls which, when implemented, will provide organisations with basic protection from the most prevalent forms of threat coming from the internet. To participate in this procurement, bidders must be able to demonstrate they comply with the technical requirements prescribed by Cyber Essentials, for services under and in connection with this procurement.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

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