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Planning

Adversary Simulation (Red / Purple Team Exercises)

NATIONAL GRID UK LIMITED

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://www.achilles.com/community/uvdb/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.6) Main activity

Electricity

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Adversary Simulation (Red / Purple Team Exercises)

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

National Grid are seeking vendors to perform adversary simulation exercises including red and purple team exercises. The purpose of this tender is to solicit the expertise of experienced security consultants to simulate real-world threat actors and assess the capability of our security teams to prevent, detect and respond to cyber-attacks.

We look forward to reviewing proposals from qualified vendors.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom
- US - United States

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

National Grid is committed to maintaining a high level of security and requires a vendor that can provide a comprehensive and thorough evaluation of our security systems and processes. The successful vendors will have experience in performing red and purple teaming exercises against environments including cloud (Azure), OT networks, CNI, and on-premises systems including Microsoft AD and AAD, container platforms, and Linux servers.

National Grid is looking for vendors with a proven track record of delivering high-quality security services to organisations with similar security needs.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2023

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest

Date

7 April 2023

Local time

5:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

We use the Achilles Utilities Vendor Database (UVDB) when compiling lists of potential suppliers for our goods and services requirements. For the majority of our purchases, it is a condition of supplying to National Grid that suppliers are registered on the UVDB.

We expect to release the PQQ on Achilles at the beginning of April 2023. Please ensure you are registered on Achilles and visible under the UVDB code: 2.1.23 Cyber Security Consulting or Services in order to participate in this tender. The PQQ will not be available to suppliers who are not registered on Achilles under this code.

More information can be found at:

<https://www.nationalgrid.com/suppliers/new-suppliers>

<https://www.achilles.com/community/uvdb/>