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## **2023-660 Cereals & Oilseeds crop intentions, condition and progress reporting**

AHDB (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

F02: Contract notice

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

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

AHDB (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

Middlemarch Business Park

Coventry

CV3 4SU

#### **Contact**

Julia Burger

#### **Email**

[procurement@ahdb.org.uk](mailto:procurement@ahdb.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/agriculture-and-horticulture-development-board>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Agriculture & Horticulture

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

2023-660 Cereals & Oilseeds crop intentions, condition and progress reporting

Reference number

C22728

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

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

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

Services

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

AHDB is looking to procure a supplier(s) to provide cereals and oilseeds crop harvest, planting, and crop development reporting across the season. The information needs to inform growers, grain traders, processors, industry stakeholders and other interested parties about planting progress/intentions, condition, development, and harvest progress at set points in time during the season.

AHDB requires suppliers to source data and intelligence from a range of different sources. Our current methodology for crop reporting is based on a network of independent agronomists but we are open to suggestions for alternative provision.

We have split the requirement across three lots and will award either multiple suppliers or a single supplier depending on the evaluation outcome of tenders received. Each of these Lots have associated milestones and KPI's.

- Lot 1 - Harvest progression reporting
- Lot 2 - Planting intentions and progress
- Lot 3 - Crop development and condition (winter and spring)

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

Value excluding VAT: £1

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UK

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

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- Lot 1 - Harvest progress reporting: AHDB requires the provision of both numerical data and explanatory, bulleted comments during the main harvest period to inform us about the progress of harvest for cereals and oilseeds crops.
- Lot 2 - Planting intentions and progress: AHDB requires the provision of information data and bulleted commentary on both:
  - Actual and intended plantings to provide a reliable indicative forecast of crop areas.
  - Planting progress and how it compares to or has compared to what would 'typically' be expected.
- Lot 3 - Crop development and condition (winter and spring): AHDB requires numerical data on both the growth stages reached by the majority of UK cereals and oilseeds crops at that point in time and how this compares to what would 'typically' be expected for the time of year, and the crop condition.

Suppliers can tender for single or multiple lots.

The Procurement Documents have been made directly available by AHDB by electronic means at <https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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Deadline for submissions by 12 noon on the 24 April 2024

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

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

Start date

13 June 2024

End date

31 May 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Potential to extend for a further three x 12-month periods

### **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 IV. Procedure**

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

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

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

Date

24 April 2024

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

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

24 April 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Place

AHDB Head Office

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Procurement Manager

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## **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**

AHDB (Defra Network eTendering Portal)

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Internet address

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

Defra Network eTendering Portal

Seacole Building, 2 Marsham Street

London

SW1P 4DF

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>