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Tender

Pension Advisor Services

Translink

F05: Contract notice – utilities

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02a71e

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Section I: Contracting entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Translink

Procurement Department

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Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

I.6) Main activity

Urban railway, tramway, trolleybus or bus services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Pension Advisor Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66500000 - Insurance and pension services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £280,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66522000 - Group pension services
- 66523100 - Pension fund administration services
- 66523000 - Pension fund consultancy services
- 66141000 - Pension fund management services
- 66131100 - Pension investment services
- 66520000 - Pension services
- 75320000 - Government employee pension schemes
- 66521000 - Individual pension services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Technical / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £280,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Options to extend contract on a 1+1+1 basis.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options to extend contract on a 1+1+1 basis.

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 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

10 May 2021

Local time

3:00pm

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

Tender must be valid until: 8 August 2021

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

10 May 2021

Local time

3:30pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: At the end of the contract term.

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

Let's work together:. — follow us on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/TranslinkB2B](https://twitter.com/TranslinkB2B) for opportunities worth 50 000 GBP or more,. — check out our. website at www.translink.co.uk/Corporate/Procurement/. — participate in tenders at <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>. For assistance using eTendersNI and registering your Organisation please contact the helpdesk whose number. is located on the eTendersNI contact us page.. Note: Do not leave completing your PQQ/ITT response until the last minute, late responses shall be rejected.. The Contracting Authority reserves the right not to award any contract as a result of this competition.. About the Translink Group: throughout the documentation, both 'Translink' and 'Group' refer to the same. corporate entities. Both shall be taken to comprise the Northern Ireland Transport Holding Company (NITHC) in. addition to its main operating subsidiaries Citybus Ltd, Northern Ireland Railways Company Ltd and Ulsterbus Ltd

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Please see VI.4.3

Belast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Translink will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).