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Planning

Defra's PAN NEC Contract Management System (CMS)

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

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

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Defra's PAN NEC Contract Management System (CMS)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72212331 - Project management software development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Defra would like to undertake a Request for Information (RFI) with Rough Order of Magnitude (RoM) and a system demonstration (can be virtual). Therefore, you will need to sign a mutual NDA and we will provide the information for this activity via the email address DgC.E-Commercial.systems@defra.gov.uk to register your interest now.

Looking for April Dates for the demonstrations.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72212311 - Document management software development services
- 72212331 - Project management software development services
- 48490000 - Procurement software package
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 48482000 - Business intelligence software package

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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II.2.14) Additional information

This notice is for information only. The Contracting Authority may or may not subsequently publish a formal contract opportunity notice in the future.

The value above is an estimate only based on a potential initial contract term of 5 years. The Contracting Authority anticipates up to 2 extension periods of 12 months each.

Please note that in addition to this notice, we have a separate RFI document available to suppliers. This can be requested by contacting the following email address:

dgc.E.Commercial.Systems.Project.Team@defra.gov.uk.

Please also note that the deadline for responses to the RFI is 2nd April 2024 @ 12:00 BST, and we therefore advise interested suppliers to make contact as soon as possible in order to access this.

Following receipt of responses, we intend to invite a small representative group of suppliers to present their system to us by way of a demonstration. This exercise will be for information purposes only and will not be used other than for reasons outlined in the RFI document.

We reserve the right on who we invite to demo their product, due to the nature of this activity we will only be inviting a small number of suppliers. Should your organisation not be selected, this should not be interpreted as the Authority not being interested in your product, nor will it prejudice our impartiality in any future procurement activity.

We would like to remind suppliers that we are still devising our procurement strategy, and at present many aspects are still to be confirmed. This includes our route to market. Therefore, a response to this RFI does not guarantee you a place in any future competition, for example, if a framework route to market is selected and your organisation is not available via this framework.

The Contracting Authority may, without prejudice, use feedback from the responses and demos to help

inform the development of the potential requirement.

Any system demonstration is to help the Contracting Authority gather information about the type of systems which may be available in the marketplace and to help inform our potential requirement.

Please be advised that:

- this opportunity to demonstrate is offered entirely without prejudice,
- you are not obliged to demonstrate.

If you do demonstrate your system:

- it is not a sales opportunity,
- it is for information purposes only to help inform our potential requirement.

Potential providers are advised that should the Contracting Authority subsequently publish a formal contract notice, the procurement will be managed (including the submission of tender responses) via the Contracting Authority's e-procurement portal.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

14 March 2024

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: Yes