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# **Archiving and Records Management Commercial Partnership Agreement for the operation and management of the National Nuclear Archive. Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA), on behalf of NDA Archives L**

Nuclear Decommissioning Authority

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Call for competition

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/nuclear-decommissioning-authority>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://onenda.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://onenda.force.com/s/Welcome>

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Nuclear

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Archiving and Records Management Commercial Partnership Agreement for the operation and management of the National Nuclear Archive. Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA), on behalf of NDA Archives L

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

- 92512000 - Archive services

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

Services

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

CALL FOR COMPETITION

Archiving and Records Management Commercial Partnership Agreement for the operation and management of the National Nuclear Archive. Nuclear Decommissioning Authority (NDA), on behalf of NDA Archives Limited (NDAAL), invite interested parties to participate in a market engagement conference call which will be held on the 18th April 2023. This requirement is a call for competition (SSQ) for the procurement of a replacement Commercial Partnership Agreement. The services of the Commercial Partnership Agreement may include but not be limited to: archiving and records management, project services, facilities management (FM) and building management, security and management of the overall programme of works.

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

Value excluding VAT: £66,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 92512100 - Archive destruction services
- 79710000 - Security services
- 92512000 - Archive services
- 79993000 - Building and facilities management services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79995200 - Cataloguing services
- 79999100 - Scanning services
- 79994000 - Contract administration services
- 79342300 - Customer services
- 79993100 - Facilities management services
- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 72512000 - Document management services
- 92510000 - Library and archive services
- 79421000 - Project-management services other than for construction work
- 79131000 - Documentation services
- 90710000 - Environmental management
- 79520000 - Reprographic services
- 72253000 - Helpdesk and support services
- 92512000 - Archive services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

### CALL FOR COMPETITION SSQ stage 1

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Throughout its history, the nuclear industry in the UK has created vast quantities of records. The NDAAL and all the nuclear sites that it owns and manages, continue to do so.

As nuclear decommissioning in the UK is funded by the taxpayer, the vast bulk of these records is owned by the public, which makes them public records and confers on NDA and the organisations in the NDA group an obligation to manage them in accordance with the Public Records Act. The Act includes strict rules for retention and care.

After many years of planning, in 2015 NDA created NDA Archives Ltd whose task it was to collect, inventurise and manage the records of the civil nuclear industry, using a new, purpose-built archive facility: “Nucleus, the Nuclear and Caithness Archives”, located in Wick, Caithness. Its purpose is not only compliance with the Public Records Act, but also to play a leading role in dealing with the technical and logistical challenges faced by NDA. The Caithness Archive is colocated with the NDA archive in Nucleus.

A “rules and tools” workstream was set up to define the legal and statutory requirements, and to deliver the tools needed to enable compliance. An NDA Records Retention Database has been created, and IMP06 “Managing NDA Information – Requirements” was published. This workstream is part of a wider programme that deals also with digital preservation, intellectual property and copyright issues.

The work of NDAAL has been outsourced under a Commercial Partnership Agreement, with a term of 5 with options to extend for 2 subsequent years. The scope of the Agreement comprises:

- Operation of “Nucleus” (both the nuclear and the Caithness archives) with a permanent workforce to receive records from organisations in the NDA group, carry out records and archive management tasks, and provide access to NDA records to End Users and the public
- FM and building management
- Security (physical, personnel, information)
- A programme of gathering, sifting, cataloguing, storing and maintaining all inactive records in the NDA estate. Over a quarter of a million boxes of records have been identified for processing.

This procurement project will ensure the continued operation of Nucleus, with an enhanced role for the new Commercial Partner.

The duration of the new contract is likely to be 5 years with options to extend for 2 subsequent years.

Feedback and input are sought from the market to: develop greater understanding on the market and the factors affecting it, understand interest in this opportunity, and affirm the sourcing strategy

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

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

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £66,000,000

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

Start date

1 July 2024

End date

30 June 2031

#### **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**

The NDA shall host an engagement event on 18th April 2023  
9.30am-12.30pm. Via Teams

The event will be via a Microsoft teams conference. Suppliers should nominate no more than two representatives to attend. The presentation from the pre-market day will be uploaded to the ITT alongside the Q & A from the engagement event.

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## **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

See procurement documentation

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

List and brief description of selection criteria

See procurement documentation

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

List and brief description of selection criteria

See procurement documentation

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

See procurement documentation

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

#### **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 expressions of interest**

Date

17 April 2023

Local time

11:00am

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

English



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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

To register an interest please sign into Atamis our e-sourcing portal - <https://onenda.force.com/s/Welcome> by 17th April 2023 by 12 noon

Additional CPV codes:

79993000-1	Building and facilities management services
79410000-1	Business and management consultancy services
79995200-7	Cataloguing services
79994000-8	Contract administration services
79342300-6	Customer services
72512000-7	Document management services
79131000-1	Documentation services
90710000-7	Environmental management
79993100-2	Facilities management services
72253000-3	Helpdesk and support services
92510000-9	Library and archive services
79421000-1	Project-management services other than for construction work
79520000-5	Reprographic services
60100000-9	Road transport services
79999100-4	Scanning services
79710000-4	Security services
92512100-4	Archive destruction services

### VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

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

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