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# The Provision of British Standards Online

Health and Safety Executive

F02: Contract notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Health and Safety Executive

Redgrave Court, Merton Road

**BOOTLE** 

L207HS

#### **Email**

tenders@hse.gov.uk

### Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UK - United Kingdom

### Internet address(es)

Main address

#### www.hse.gov.uk

# I.3) Communication

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

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

# I.5) Main activity

Health

# **Section II: Object**

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

The Provision of British Standards Online

Reference number

HSE/T4183

#### 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

HSE is seeking to award a 5 year contract to provide access to British Standards to support the work of HSE across 28 sites

Further information can be found at <a href="https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse">https://in-tendhost.co.uk/hse</a>

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,415,000

#### 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

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Information, Technology and Facilities Division provides various back office support services to HSE. Within this Division the Information Management Team (IMT) provides specialised library and information services to all HSE staff in England, Scotland and Wales. Information sources and services include access to legal information; scientific information; company information; specialist information relating to particular industrial sectors, and technical standards.

HSE's subject interests lie across all industries and include a diverse range of occupational health and safety topics for example: analytical chemistry, hazardous chemicals, electrical engineering, construction, metallurgy, offshore technology, ergonomics, mining and quarrying, occupational hygiene, medicine, occupational safety and law. Fringe topics include: accountancy, management and finance.

#### BACKGROUND TO THE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS

The use of standards supports HSE's business objectives across the full spectrum of its wide-ranging functions. Provision of standards is primarily in digital format, but sometimes paper copies are required for specific purposes (e.g. submission of court evidence bundles and other formal enforcement activity).

British Standards represent an authoritative benchmark, agreed with industry, of the risk reduction that can be achieved. They can also be used and targeted as an effective means of influencing stakeholders to adopt better and safer systems and designs.

Standards are required to support the work of HSE. Online access is a more efficient model of service. It reduces the administrative burden on HSE of processing and delivering paper standards. Staff have access to current versions of standards for instant download at any time and, the ability to set up personal profiles and alerts ensures that staff are kept informed of any changes to the standards they use regularly. It also supports HSE's current hybrid working model, as most staff now spend a significant proportion of their time working away from the office, either at home or at a duty holder's premises.

In order to meet HSE's requirements for providing online access to standards, the successful tenderer's solution must deliver all areas except BS 2000 series and historical series. Access is currently provided for 1050 registered users across 20 sites with provision for access for 60 simultaneous users. Tenderers are invited to bid for a service to a similar number of registered and simultaneous users, across 28 sites.

#### 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: £1,415,000

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

**Duration** in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

## II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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

16 May 2022

Local time

1:00pm

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

English

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

Date

16 May 2022

Local time

2:00pm

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Tommy Johnson - HSE Head of Procurement

**BOOTLE** 

Country

**United Kingdom**