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Department of Finance - Integr8 Programme - Integr8 Delivery Partner

Department of Finance

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/procurement>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Department of Finance - Integr8 Programme - Integr8 Delivery Partner

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

The Department of Finance's (DoF) Integr8 Programme is seeking to establish a contract for an Integr8 Delivery Partner (IDP) to implement an integrated Oracle Finance and HR cloud-based technology solution along with an IT Service Management Platform and the provision of Managed Services. The contract period will be for an initial 5 years with the option for two further periods, the first for three years and the second for up to 24 months. Please see the procurement documents which provide further information along with the full list of current and potential Service Recipients.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £150,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72100000 - Hardware consultancy services
- 72212211 - Platform interconnectivity software development services

- 72212220 - Internet and intranet software development services
- 72212400 - Business transaction and personal business software development services
- 72212440 - Financial analysis and accounting software development services
- 72212443 - Accounting software development services
- 72212450 - Time accounting or human resources software development services
- 72212451 - Enterprise resource planning software development services
- 72212482 - Business intelligence software development services
- 72212900 - Miscellaneous software development services and computer systems
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72221000 - Business analysis consultancy services
- 72224000 - Project management consultancy services
- 72224100 - System implementation planning services
- 72227000 - Software integration consultancy services
- 72228000 - Hardware integration consultancy services
- 72222300 - Information technology services
- 72246000 - Systems consultancy services
- 72250000 - System and support services
- 72253200 - Systems support services
- 72260000 - Software-related services
- 72262000 - Software development services
- 72263000 - Software implementation services
- 72265000 - Software configuration services

- 72266000 - Software consultancy services
- 72268000 - Software supply services
- 72300000 - Data services
- 72310000 - Data-processing services
- 72317000 - Data storage services
- 72322000 - Data management services
- 72500000 - Computer-related services
- 72510000 - Computer-related management services
- 79631000 - Personnel and payroll services
- 79211000 - Accounting services
- 79211110 - Payroll management services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411000 - General management consultancy services
- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services
- 79412000 - Financial management consultancy services
- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services
- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79990000 - Miscellaneous business-related services
- 66170000 - Financial consultancy, financial transaction processing and clearing-house services
- 80533100 - Computer training services
- 80500000 - Training services

- 80420000 - E-learning services
- 72600000 - Computer support and consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: £150,000,000

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.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged number of candidates: 3

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

Candidates will be assessed in accordance with Regulation 58 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 as set out in the Information Memorandum. A selection process will be used to identify economic operators, who having submitted a response to the Selection Questionnaire, sufficiently demonstrate to the Department's satisfaction the appropriate technical and professional ability, economic, financial and legal standing to meet the requirements of the contract.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract period will be for an initial 5 years with the option for two further periods, the first for 36 months and the second for up to 24 months.

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 estimated contract value indicated in Section II.1.5 and II.2.6 represents the potential value of the contract over the maximum contract period which ranges from £63,000,000 GBP to £150,000,000 GBP exclusive of VAT. This is a estimated range only and the Department reserves the right to award for a lower or higher amount. This range reflects the potential scale of the contract and takes into account changes and potential modifications to the contract that may be required that could not be identified or foreseen at the time of this procurement exercise but which are consistent with the overall nature of the Buyer's current and future operational requirements for a finance and HR solution. It is envisaged that such modifications would be made without requiring a new procurement procedure in accordance with Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Neither CPD nor

the Buyer can provide any guarantee as to the level of business under this contract. The Buyer does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. Economic Operators remain responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by them or by any third party acting under instructions from the Economic Operator in connection with taking part in this procurement process regardless of whether such costs arise as a consequence, directly or indirectly of any amendments made to the procurement documents by the Buyer at any time. No legally binding contract shall arise (and an Economic Operator shall have no legitimate expectation that a contract will be entered into) until such time as entry into the Contract has been confirmed by the Buyer. Economic Operators should note that all dates, time periods and figures in relation to values and volumes specified in this notice and the procurement documents are approximate only and the Buyer reserves the right to change any or all of them. The Buyer reserves the right to award the Contract following submission of Initial Tender Responses and the right to down-select Economic Operators following each round of negotiations.

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

Candidates will be assessed in accordance with Regulation 58 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 as set out in the Information Memorandum. A selection process will also be used to identify economic operators, who having submitted a response to the Selection Questionnaire, sufficiently demonstrate to the Buyer's satisfaction the appropriate technical and professional ability, economic, financial and legal standing to meet the requirements of the contract.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

As per Tender documentation.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

As per Tender documentation.

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

The appointment to the contract will be subject to the preferred supplier demonstrating that the minimum requirements specified in the selection questionnaire continue to be met and that there being no material adverse change to the standing of the supplier. The appointment will also be subject to all other necessary due diligence being carried out by the Buyer. Contract performance will be subject to the conditions specified in the contract and the successful Supplier's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-034736](#)

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

Date

2 May 2024

Local time

3:00pm

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

10 July 2024

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored in line with the tender documentation. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance can result in the Contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of three years from the date of issue. The Buyer reserves the right: to hold additional rounds of negotiations with Economic Operators; to require the submission of any further or additional information or tender submissions; to award the Contract following the submission of initial tenders; and/or to down-select Economic Operators following each round of negotiations. For the avoidance of doubt, final tenders will not be subject to any negotiation with the Buyer (however, they may be subject to clarification, if required, at the Buyer's absolute discretion). The Buyer reserves the right: to reject any or all SQ or tender responses and to cancel or withdraw the procurement process at any stage; to award a contract without prior notice; to change the basis of, the procedure and the timescales set out or referred to in the procurement documents; to require an Economic Operator to clarify its SQ or tender response in writing and/or provide additional information; to terminate the procurement process; and/or to amend the terms and conditions of the SQ or tender evaluation process or negotiation process. The Buyer does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender. Economic Operators remain responsible for all costs and expenses incurred by them or by any third party acting under instructions from the Economic Operator in connection with taking part in this procurement process, regardless of whether such costs arise as a consequence, directly or indirectly, of any amendments made to the procurement documents by the Buyer at any time. No legally binding contract shall arise (and an Economic Operator shall have no legitimate expectation that a contract will be entered into)

until such time as entry into the Contract has been confirmed by the Buyer. Economic Operators should note that all dates, time periods and figures in relation to values and volumes specified in this notice and the procurement documents are approximate only and the Buyer reserves the right to change any or all of them.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of framework is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. . .