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Planning

Market Engagement and Tech Spike for Contact Centre as a Service (CCaaS) solutions

Ministry of Justice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Justice

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Email

ccmd-dandtsupplierinbox@justice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Market Engagement and Tech Spike for Contact Centre as a Service (CCaaS) solutions

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72222300 - Information technology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority wishes to engage with the market to further its understanding and knowledge of Contact Centre as a Service (CCaaS) solutions and how they might benefit our business.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48000000 Software package and information systems
- · 48500000 Communication and multimedia software package
- 64200000 Telecommunications services
- 64210000 Telephone and data transmission services
- 72250000 System and support services
- 72260000 Software-related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

It is the Authority's intention, through this Market Engagement and Tech Spike, to leverage free trials of Contact Centre as a Service (CCaaS) solutions to understand whether CCaaS solutions could meet the operational needs of HM Courts and Tribunals Service (HMCTS) Contact Centre. Information gathered through this activity may inform requirements and definition for a future competition.

The HMCTS Contact Centre includes 500-700 concurrent agents split over 11+ lines of business.

Each vendor solution will be used for a max 30-day period as a fully stand-alone sandbox with a sample Line of Business being configured to investigate the following capabilities:

- Contact handling (voice, email, webchat) incorporating
- Dual-tone multi-frequency (DTMF) Interactive Voice Response (IVR) build, routing and queuing
 - o build, routing and queuing
 - o Email keyword analysis, routing and multi-day queuing
 - o Webchat
 - o Agent and team leader User Interfaces (UIs)
- System admin
- Real time and historical Management Information (MI)
- Tactical resource re-allocation
- Position in queue callbacks
- Quality Management
- Workforce management, scheduling and adherence
- Surveying
- Knowledge authoring and usage

After providing access to the CCaaS trial software, HMCTS expects to be self-sufficient in

the configuration and use of the solution, but would seek to have twice weekly 1-hour checkpoints for Q&A.

As this will be on a free trial basis, suppliers are asked to identify any restrictions that will apply. At the end of a trial of a solution, it is understood that access will end and all CCaaS configuration will be lost.

The Authority is looking to only trial software direct from the software manufacturer. This would not exclude resellers of the software manufacturer's product from taking part in any future competition.

Interested suppliers can register their interest in the PIN by emailing ccmd-dandtsupplierinbox@justice.gov.uk. We will then invite you to complete a short questionnaire which we request you to return as promptly as possible. If responses meet the criteria outlined above, you will be invited to provide free trial software. Participating suppliers will be required to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement.

All expressions of interests need to be submitted to the Authority by 19 May 2023.

Any costs or investments which are incurred in relation to this Market Engagement and Tech Spike shall be the supplier's responsibility and the Authority shall have no liability for any such costs or investments.

Please note that suppliers whose questionnaire responses do not meet the criteria are not excluded from any future competition. Potential providers will not be prejudiced by any response to this PIN, or failure to respond.

This PIN does not formally signify the beginning of a procurement and does not constitute a commitment by the MoJ to undertake any procurement exercise. The MoJ will reserve its rights as to the procurement route used. In the event that a suitable pre-existing framework is identified during market engagement the MoJ may decide not to issue a contract notice. Should a suitable framework not be identified and the MoJ decides to formally commence the procurement a separate notice will be issued through the Find a Tender service.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

18 April 2023

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

None