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## **ID 3954170 - DoJ - Action Research Project for Vulnerable Young People**

Department of Justice

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-033515

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Department of Justice

c/o CPD, 303 Airport Road West

BELFAST

BT3 9ED

#### **Email**

[Justice.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:Justice.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.justice-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 electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps/>

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

Body governed by public law

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

General public services

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

ID 3954170 - DoJ - Action Research Project for Vulnerable Young People

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The cross-Executive Tackling Paramilitarism, Organised Crime and Criminality Programme wishes to engage a Contractor to complete an action research requirement to continue to inform delivery of support for young people vulnerable to paramilitary activity and harm and to support service improvement through research and best practice.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services
- 75200000 - Provision of services to the community
- 85322000 - Community action programme
- 98000000 - Other community, social and personal services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The cross-Executive Tackling Paramilitarism, Organised Crime and Criminality Programme wishes to engage a Contractor to complete an action research requirement to continue to inform delivery of support for young people vulnerable to paramilitary activity and harm and to support service improvement through research and best practice.

#### **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: £300,000

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

Duration in months

8

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

#### **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 values are broad estimates only, include additional quantum for unforeseen demand and to future proof for additional potential users. The estimates are

not deemed to be a condition of contract nor a guarantee of minimum demand or uptake. No compensation will be payable to a contractor should the actual demand be less than that stated. . Contract monitoring: the successful Contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. 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 written warning and notice of unsatisfactory performance, and this contract may be terminated. The issue of a notice of written warning and notice of unsatisfactory performance will 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 up to 3 years from the date of issue of the notice. The authority expressly reserves the rights: (i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition;. (iii) to award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the services covered by this notice and (iv) to award contract(s) in stages. And under no circumstances will the authority be liable for any costs incurred by Candidates.

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## **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

6 June 2022

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 4 September 2022

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

Date

6 June 2022

Local time

3:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

## **VI.3) Additional information**

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## **VI.4) Procedures for review**

### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by

the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued

N/A

Country

United Kingdom

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

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued.

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#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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 the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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