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Planning

UK Tobacco Track and Trace system SR464477442

H M Revenue & Customs

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Other activity

Direct and Indirect tax collection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UK Tobacco Track and Trace system SR464477442

Reference number

SR464477442

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

HMRC intend to award a concession contract to a single supplier for the United Kingdom's tobacco tracking and tracing system under the World Health Organization Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products.

The UK has a current supplier who provides the services required to enable the continued tracking and tracing of tobacco products manufactured in or imported into the UK. Our current contract for this provision expires on 30th June 2022 and we are seeking a supplier to deliver this solution from 1st July 2022.

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice is to alert interested parties and invite potential suppliers to a virtual engagement event on 14th June 2021.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48100000 - Industry specific software package
- 48600000 - Database and operating software package
- 48800000 - Information systems and servers
- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The UK ratified the WHO Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products in 2018. The Protocol requires parties to implement a traceability system for tobacco products manufactured in or imported into their territory, taking into account regional specific needs and available best practice.

The UK has a current supplier who provides the services required to enable the continued

tracking and tracing of tobacco products manufactured in or imported into the UK. HMRC have a contract to deliver this system until 30/06/22 and will run a procurement exercise to ensure a system is in operation from 01/07/22. The intention is to award a 5 year agreement.

The provider's main responsibilities will be to deliver a:

- ID issuer service, to ensure tobacco products manufactured in or imported into the UK are marked with a unique identifier

- Data repository and router to store data relating to products and which is accessible to HMRC.

Other services may be required as we continue to define the requirements during the tender process.

II.2.14) Additional information

Suppliers interested in this opportunity will be invited to virtually attend a supplier event on 14th June 1pm - 3pm. At this event, there will be a presentation providing an overview of the requirements and HMRC's procurement plan. There will also be opportunity for follow up questions. The event will help potential bidders understand the complex technical requirements for providing a UK tobacco traceability system. Input from attendees will also help HMRC set out the detailed requirements in the technical specification and other documents.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

2 July 2021

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

Further details and registration for the event will be completed electronically through HMRC's SAP Ariba eSourcing tool. You will be required to advise your interest to Catherine.moore3@hmrc.gov.uk to be added to the Ariba event and complete a short questionnaire upon registration, via the Ariba system.

Suppliers using HMRC's Ariba for the first time, will need to register at:

<http://hmrc.supplier-eu.ariba.com/ad/register/SSOActions?type=full>

As part of the registration process you will receive a system generated email.

To register your interest in the Supplier Engagement Event please email Catherine.moore3@hmrc.gov.uk with the following information:

The contract title shown in Section II.1.1)

Your organisation's name:

Your organisation's HMRC SAP Ariba account ID: