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## **A303 Stonehenge (Amesbury to Berwick Down) - Delivery Assurance Partner**

Highways England

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Highways England

The Cube, Wharfside Street,

Birmingham

B1 1RN

#### **Email**

[procurementa303@highwaysengland.co.uk](mailto:procurementa303@highwaysengland.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKF - East Midlands (England)

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

Main address

<https://highwaysengland.co.uk/>

### **I.3) Communication**

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

[www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk](http://www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk](http://www.highways.bravosolutions.co.uk)

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

National or federal Agency/Office

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

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

A303 Stonehenge (Amesbury to Berwick Down) - Delivery Assurance Partner

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71310000 - Consultative engineering and construction services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Highways England seeks a Delivery Assurance Partner (DAP) to work with Highways England's as part of their leadership team to assist with the assurance of the Main Works Construction contract. This DAP contract is expected to last 7 years with an optional 5 year extension.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £60,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 45221000 - Construction work for bridges and tunnels, shafts and subways
- 45221100 - Construction work for bridges
- 45221247 - Tunnelling works
- 45233100 - Construction work for highways, roads
- 45233110 - Motorway construction works
- 45233120 - Road construction works

- 71520000 - Construction supervision services
- 71521000 - Construction-site supervision services
- 71540000 - Construction management services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK15 - Wiltshire CC

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

Highways England is looking for a Delivery Assurance Partner who will use their expertise, understanding and analysis of the data generated during construction, to deliver proactive risk management and drive efficiencies throughout the delivery phase. They must be able to challenge contractors processes and programme to achieve time and cost saving. A key capability will be the ability to drive a right first-time approach in all construction areas but in particular in the design, installation, commissioning and handover of tunnel systems. Highways England is seeking a partner with capability and skills that extend beyond that of providing design and construction quality assurance support and project management.

Please see below a summary list of services that will be provided:

Start up to close out

- Health, Safety and Wellbeing (HS&W) provide trend monitoring, analysis and simulation allowing us to minimise risk to ourselves and our customers and visualise methods and techniques that provide the best HS&W outcomes.

- Project management and integrated project controls – the DAP should have the skills and robust processes to collate and interpret all data on the project to be received by Highways England with minimal processing required to integrate systems and regular reporting.

- Contract management - to undertake all of the NEC4 contract management functions in order to enable Highways England to fulfil their role as project manager for the main construction contract.

Mobilisation for the main works construction contract

- Manage mobilisation plans - the contractor for the main work will be required to submit start up plans for approval in several different areas setting out approach and processes. The Delivery Assurance Partner will need the skills and experience to review these plans

and recommend acceptance or otherwise to Highways England.

- Consents management and discharge – the DAP should have the experience and skills to manage, assure and monitor, to ensure that consent conditions are met in line with the project programme.
- Land management - will provide appropriately skilled personnel to ensure access to land is provided in line with the project programme and that relationships with landowners are not impaired throughout the duration of the project.
- Design management and assurance - will provide assurance with proactive management of the design approval to ensure that the contractor's designs meet or exceed the scope with recommendations to Highways England. Will also provide robust challenge of constructability of the design so that it is efficient and achievable

#### Construction phase support

- Construction monitoring and assurance - will monitor and report, ensuring that what is delivered is as per the approved design and the scope.
- Third party agreement support - will ensure that third party requirements are seamlessly integrated into the planning and delivery of the works.
- Quality management - will provide assurance that quality products are provided which are befitting of this legacy project and that best practice is captured and shared.
- Help to drive efficiencies in the construction processes and programme

#### Tunnel commissioning and handover

- Assure tunnel testing and commissioning - will provide the expertise and management skills to ensure that the entire tunnel system works for all from the opening date.
- Handover to Highways England Operations - will drive alignment to Highways England's operating systems and procedures to ensure a smooth transition from the contractor to Highways England Operations with minimal defects outstanding.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Start date

1 December 2021

End date

1 December 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract is expected to last 7 years with an optional 5 year extension.

#### **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

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2020/S 242-600235](#)

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

Date

27 July 2021

Local time

4:00pm

#### **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**

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

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

Date

27 July 2021

Local time

4:00pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority will use an eTendering system in this procurement exercise. Information on how to take part in this Tender is detailed below:

1. Register your company on the eSourcing portal (this is only required once) - visit <https://highways.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml> and click the link to register - Accept the terms and conditions and click 'continue' - Enter your business and user details - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete - You will shortly receive an email with your unique password.
2. Express an Interest in the tender - Login to the portal - Click the 'PQQ/ITTs Open to All Suppliers' link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier). Click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content (the A303 Stonehenge Delivery Assurance Partner is itt\_6225). Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of this page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your 'My PQQs/ My ITT's page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only). You can access any attachments by clicking the 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ITT Details box.
3. Responding to the tender - Click 'My Response' under 'PQQ/ITT Details', you can 'Create Response' or 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining). You can use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ/ITT. There may be a mixture of online and offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available). Submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult online help, or contact the eTendering help desk.

Tender documentation for contracts over 10,000 GBP will be published and made available to the public. You should also be aware that if your bid is successful the resulting contract will be published. In some circumstances, limited redactions will be made to tender documentation and/or contracts before they are published in order to comply with existing law, to protect commercial interests and for the protection of national security.

Further information will be set out in the Tender Documents. Contract dates stated are

indicative, and may be subject to change.

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

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

See details at VI.4.3

See details at VI.4.3

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Highways England will incorporate a minimum 10 day standstill period at the point information on award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Appeals should be lodged in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2006 No 5) as amended.