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## **Readiness Checks of Greater Manchester Combined Authority and West Midlands Combined Authority**

DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

F02: Contract notice

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

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

DEPARTMENT FOR LEVELLING UP, HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES

2 Marsham Street

LONDON

SW1P4DF

#### **Email**

[commercialtenders@levellingup.gov.uk](mailto:commercialtenders@levellingup.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

#### **Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-levelling-up-housing-and-communities>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://mhclg.force.com/login>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://mhclg.force.com/login>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Housing and community amenities

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Readiness Checks of Greater Manchester Combined Authority and West Midlands Combined Authority

Reference number

CPD4126156

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79419000 - Evaluation consultancy services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities (DLUHC) ("The Contracting Authority") invites tenders to provide input and execute external readiness checks of the Greater Manchester Combined Authority and the West Midlands Combined Authority (together, "the MCAs") to provide assurance of readiness for the 'single settlement'

At Spring Budget 2023, the UK Government (HMG) announced the trailblazer devolution deals with the MCAs and set out its commitment to implement single departmental style settlements ('single settlements') for the MCAs at the next Spending Review (SR). The Single Settlements will

reform the way HMG provides grant funding to the MCAs, replacing multiple different funding streams with a single allocation. The goal is to increase the MCAs autonomy, ability to prioritise decisions locally, and ability to reprioritise across its own budgets. In November 2023, HM

Treasury published a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) setting out the principles under which the single settlements with the MCAs will be agreed and implemented. A further annex was then published at Spring Budget 2024.

The main objective of the contract is to produce readiness for settlement via readiness checks to confirm that MCAs can perform the required new functions or have robust plans that will enable them to be performed at the appropriate time.

Services to be provided include, but are not limited to:

- Developing Readiness Checks Criteria
- Designing the approach to gathering the information relevant to MCA readiness, working with the MCAs
- Developing a report

The contract duration will be for a period of 12 weeks. Start date TBC.

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

Value excluding VAT: £110,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

As detailed in the procurement documents.

You can access the procurement documents by registering on the e-Sourcing portal <https://mhclg.force.com/login>

Once you have clicked to register your interest, you then need to navigate to 'My Proposals and Quotes' where you should have visibility of the documents.

Under the Document tab within the procurement project record, the documents are listed and can be downloaded.

If you have any issues with accessing the portal or password resets then please contact Atamis directly at [support@atamis.co.uk](mailto:support@atamis.co.uk).

#### **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**

Duration in months

3

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

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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

## **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

24 May 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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

Date

24 May 2024

Local time

5:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

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