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Planning

Net Capacity Assessment (NCA) IT Solution Market Engagement Event

Department for Education

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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

Education

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Net Capacity Assessment (NCA) IT Solution Market Engagement Event

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72222300 - Information technology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Education (DfE) is responsible for funding and standards in education, which includes supporting the delivery of building and maintenance programmes for schools, academies, free schools and sixth-form colleges. At our heart, we are the department for realising potential. In respect of our school buildings, our vision is to provide good quality spaces and places to help schools deliver an excellent education for all children and young people.

The Net Capacity Assessment programme (“NCA”) is a programme to undertake a data collection exercise of up to 5000 secondary schools, special schools and FE colleges in England.

The data collected will encompass room level data such as room size, room use and room type, and will be collected by surveyors contracted to the Department for Education. DfE will also require a data capture solution to support the contracted surveyors to undertake this activity.

It is anticipated that the NCA data capture solution will comprise a cloud based SaaS solution that will provide (inter alia):

- (i) Capability for a field based data collection of DfE defined data for both school and FE establishments via surveyor operated mobile device app
- (ii) Development and manipulation of the data by surveyor organisation teams via a web app
- (iii) Automated nightly transfer of collected data to the Department of Education via mature API, configurable to meet DfE integration and security requirements
- (iv) Functionality to ensure secure and configurable reporting / export of data for end users
- (v) Adherence to all departmental supplier and system assurance requirements covering data security and data processing.

This PIN is issued by the DfE to engage with the market seeking views for the potential for DfE’s future procurement approach for the delivery of required Surveying Services and associated IT Solution.

The market engagement event will outline the current thinking and provide information around the NCA Programme and seek views for industry specific organisations.

Interested parties must register to attend an in-person event to be held on Wednesday 29 June 2022 in Coventry by no later than 12.00 noon on Tuesday 21 June at:

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com>

Further details below.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,700,000

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

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The NCA programme will be undertaken between 2023 and 2025. In addition to the data capture solution, the department intends to procure a number of surveying organisations ('SOs') to undertake the data collection itself. This notice relates to the procurement of the cloud based SaaS software solution to support data capture (the "IT Solution").

The IT Solution supplier will be required to work together with the aforementioned SOs on the NCA programme. It is anticipated that the IT solution will be procured first and we wish to test our current thinking with the market.

In summary the IT Solution must provide:

- (i) Capability for a field based data collection of DfE defined data for both school and FE establishments via surveyor operated mobile device app
- (ii) Development and manipulation of the data by surveyor organisation teams via a web app
- (iii) Automated nightly transfer of collected data to the Department of Education via mature API, configurable to meet DfE integration and security requirements

(iv) Functionality to ensure secure and configurable reporting / export of data for end users

(v) Adherence to all departmental supplier and system assurance requirements, covering data security and data processing

Data being collected, stored and processed by and via the IT Solution is anticipated to be classified as Official and/or Official Sensitive. The IT Solution and associated backend infrastructure will therefore need to be capable of providing sufficient data security at the level of Official Sensitive.

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To participate in this opportunity and register your organisation's interest in attending the event, please register for an account and view the "current opportunities" page at Jaggaer <https://education.app.jaggaer.com> and search for: "Project_6930."

Full event details will be confirmed following registration of interest. Please note that spaces are currently limited to 70 therefore a maximum of 2 people per organisation are permitted.

Early registration is recommended and spaces will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Also note this event is restricted to industry specific

organisations and DfE reserve the right to restrict attendees accordingly.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2022

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: No