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Planning

RFI FTS - Provision of online standards, databases and publications

Ministry of Defence

F01: Prior information notice

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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

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79980000 - Subscription services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Following the Market Awareness Event which took place on 25th and 26th May 2022, the MoD is now inviting all interested suppliers to partake in a Request for Information (RFI).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79980000 - Subscription services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Following the Market Awareness Event which took place on 25th and 26th May 2022, the MoD is now inviting all interested suppliers to partake in a Request for Information (RFI).

The presentation slides can be found as attached.

This RFI seeks information from industry, to further understand how our requirements fit within the market and what (if any) are the obstacles for the market to overcome, in order to satisfy this requirement in part/full.

All responses are required to be emailed to: Stacey.stone@mod.gov.uk , in Microsoft Word format, no longer than 6x A4 pages in Arial font size 11, to cover all 13 questions.

All responses must be received by no later than COP Wednesday 6th July 2022.

RFI Questions are as follows:

RFI Commercial:

1. Understanding the requirement better, do you believe you can deliver the requirements in full? Please provide your justification.
2. Understanding the requirement better, do you believe you can deliver the requirements in part? If so, which parts/elements/areas?
3. Understanding the requirement better, from your perspective, do you foresee any obstacles where payment may be concerned? What would those barriers look like?
4. Understanding the requirement better, from your perspective, can you foresee any obstacles where Key Performance Indicator's (KPIs) may be concerned? What would

those barriers look like?

5. Understanding the requirement better, from your perspective, do you foresee any obstacles when providing any of the products /Services? What would those barriers look like?
6. Are there any other obstacles or concerns that prevent you from meeting the requirements or prevent you from potentially submitting a bid/participating in the tender?
7. What alternative solutions do you have to offer which may/ may not require the rescoping of our requirements? What would that look like?
8. What would your current pricing model look like based on our requirements?
9. What would your pricing model look like, when offering your solution to the requirements?
10. Do you foresee any obstacles with providing support to the Authorised Demanders? What would those barriers look like?
11. Do you foresee any obstacles with providing monthly management information? What would those barriers look like?
12. Is there any other industry standard Management Information you currently provide which you believe could be useful to this requirement?

RFI Technical:

1. What would your authentication process look like considering the MoD are not able to release the IP ranges?

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

15 June 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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Copy of the presentation and a word format of the RFI questions can be found on the opportunity listing link on the DSP below [you may need to copy and paste into a search engine]:

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=54017>