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Provision of Push Notification Services

The British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC)

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/supplying/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://bbc.bravosolution.co.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://bbc.bravosolution.co.uk/>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Broadcasting

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of Push Notification Services

Reference number

PROC/2022/30/JT

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The BBC seeks to contract for the provision of push notification services. The BBC currently uses a third party to provide these services for its News, Sport, iPlayer, Sounds, Bitesize and Children's apps.

BBC News currently issues approximately 5 high priority breaking new alerts per day to both signed in and non-signed in users. Users who are signed in are required to opt in for editorially managed topics, for example breaking stories from technology or politics. The service must be able to support both signed in e.g., targeted topic-based notifications and non-signed in e.g., breaking news notifications.

BBC Sport app is a signed in experience. Sport currently sends three types of notifications:

- Automated notifications on specific topics, such as kick offs for a particular football team and goal alerts
- Breaking news for editorially managed topics, for example Olympics
- Live event reminders

BBC iPlayer and BBC Sounds both offer a signed in experience, and send the following notification types:

- Automated next episode notifications for programmes that users are following
- Recommendation notifications for suggested programmes based on the users watching or listening history

BBC Bitesize offer both signed in and signed out experiences. For signed in users, notifications are sent based on a user's activity e.g., when a user does not complete a study guide. For signed out users, reminders are sent when new content is available.

BBC Children's apps all offer a signed-out experience, and send notifications based on the user's activity in the app, e.g., collecting badges

Other BBC apps are expected to use the service and integrate over time, e.g., BBC Weather, more children's apps.

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

Main site or place of performance

UK and international

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The BBC is seeking to award to a single provider on a 3+1+1 basis. Please refer to the procurement documentation for additional details.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

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

Duration in months

60

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: Yes

Description of options

The BBC is seeking to award to a single provider on a 3 year initial contract term with two possible optional extensions of 12 months each. Please refer to the procurement documentation for additional details.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Where there is more than one economic operator, the BBC reserves the right to require a grouping of economic operators to take a particular legal form or to require a single economic operator to take primary liability or to require that each party undertakes joint and several liability.

Please register your interest in this project by taking the following steps: 1 - Register your company on the Jaggaer e-Tendering portal (this is only required once): 1.1 Go to <https://bbc.bravosolution.co.uk> 1.2 - Click the link on the login page to register. 1.3 Accept the terms and conditions and click 'Continue'. 1.4 - Enter your correct business and user details. 1.5 - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete. 1.6 - You will shortly receive an email with your temporary password. 2 - Express an interest in the tender: 2.1 - Login to the portal with the username/password. 2.2 - Click the 'PQQs/ITTs Open to all Suppliers' link. (These are Pre-Qualification Questionnaires or Invitations to Tender open to any registered supplier). 2.3 - Click on the relevant PQQ/ITT to access the content. 2.4 - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. This will move the PQQ/ITT into your 'My PQQs/My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only. 2.5 - You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ/ITT Details' box. 3. Responding to the tender: 3.1 - Click 'My Response' under PQQ/ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining). 3.2 - You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification. 3.3 - Note the deadline for completion, and 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). 3.4 You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance, please consult the online help, or contact the Jaggaer e-Tendering help desk.

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Please refer to Procurement documentation

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

15 July 2022

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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

15 July 2022

Local time

4:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

In the case of technology requirements, the BBC may involve its technology partner (Atos IT Solutions and Services Limited) to assist in the scoping and drafting of invitations to tender and/or the evaluation of tenders. However, the final decision as to which is the most economically advantageous (by reference to the award criteria) will be made by the BBC. The awarding authority reserves the right not to award a contract and to annul the procurement process at any stage. Tenders and all supporting documents must be priced in sterling and all payments will be made in sterling. The contract shall be subject to English law. The awarding authority does not bind itself to accept the lowest, or any tender and reserves the right to accept part of a tender unless the tenderer expressly stipulates otherwise in the tender document.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Business and Property Courts of England and Wales -TCC

Rolls Building, 7 Rolls Building, Fetter Lane

London

EC4A 1NL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

As stated in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. The applicable review time limits shall be as stated in Regulations 92 and 93 Public Contracts Regulations 2015.