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Planning

Strategic Microsoft Partner

The Guinness Partnership Ltd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

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Internet address(es)

Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://www.procontract.due-north.com>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Housing and community amenities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Strategic Microsoft Partner

Reference number

DN619409

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 Guinness Partnerships (TGP) is running this procurement process to put in a Framework Agreement with a panel of Microsoft Dynamics Partners. The proposed Framework length is for a maximum of 48 months. The proposed number of Lots is 2 with a maximum of 5 suppliers on each Lots.

We are seeking a Partner with core Microsoft skills and competencies, primarily D365, but also to cover other Microsoft applications and infrastructure including SharePoint, OneDrive, Teams, DevOps, and the Azure platform.

The Strategic Microsoft Partner will be required to bring experience within the sector, with the expectation that they are certified via the new Microsoft Solutions Partner designations (or can evidence the legacy capabilities that translate towards these), which provides Guinness with assurance that the Partner brings the appropriate level of performance, skilling, and customer success to the relationship

At this stage, we are looking to hear from potential suppliers to provide us with an outline of their capabilities/experience with reference to our requirements by filling in the “Pre-Market Engagement Questionnaire” and submit on 8th July 2022 by 17:00pm via our e-sourcing portal on Procontract.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 – Dynamics 365

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

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

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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TGP envisages a maximum of 2 Lots with a maximum of 5 suppliers per Lots.

The proposed Framework will consist of 2 Lots, broadly following:

Lot 1 – Dynamics 365

Lot 2 - Lot 2 – Azure Capabilities

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

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II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 – Azure Capabilities

Lot No

2

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TGP anticipates to publish the SQ mid July followed by the ITT around in August 2022.

TGP will use their e-sourcing portal for this competition on which the procurement documents will be available once the opportunity is advertised and ready. Suppliers should ensure they are registered in advance which can be done using the following link:

<https://www.procontract.due-north.com>.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

29 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