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Planning

## **Cryptoasset Investigation tools**

H M Revenue & Customs

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03dcb1

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://service.ariba.com/Register.aw/109552072/aw?awh=r&awssk=tKTJXpan&dard=1&ancdc=1>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://service.ariba.com/Register.aw/109552072/aw?awh=r&awssk=tKTJXpan&dard=1&ancdc=1>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Direct and Indirect taxation

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## Section II: Object

### II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Cryptoasset Investigation tools

Reference number

SR1512328556

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

His Majesty's Revenue and Customs (HMRC) is the UK's tax, payments and customs authority and collects the money that pays for the UK's public services and helps families and individuals with targeted financial support.

FIS is responsible for the department's civil and criminal investigations into the most serious fraud, money laundering, and wrongdoing, working to protect funding for UK public services, investigate the most harmful tax frauds and criminals, and ensure that none are beyond our reach.

While traditional money laundering methods are still favoured by criminals, technology is transforming the financial services landscape. With the growth of the digital economy, money launderers are looking to exploit these new technologies due to their increasing prominence, their relative ease of use, and most importantly the consistent lack of transparency.

HMRC are considering the future of cryptoasset investigation services and would like to invite suppliers to provide an in-depth overview of the types of cryptoassets and cryptoasset investigation tools & ancillary services in the markets, as well as some strategic insight as to what this fast-growing market may evolve into as it matures.

It is envisaged that the procurement for cryptoasset investigation services will launch in July/August 2023, post market engagement days (planned for w/c 17/07 but STC), Please note that this Procurement may not progress in this or any other format and is subject to

the relevant internal Governance and approvals.

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 72268000 - Software supply services
- 72500000 - Computer-related services
- 79700000 - Investigation and security services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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#### **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

12

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

12 month initial term with 12 month optional extension period

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

HMRC is issuing this PIN in order to:

1. Advise the Blockchain and Technology Industry that HMRC is considering undertaking a tendering exercise to award a new contract for the provision of Crypto fraud investigation tools
2. Request information from the market on best practice implementation and implementation periods
3. Current capabilities
4. Future capabilities
5. Market insight on industry direction of travel
6. Identify common Social Value themes across the market to inform the Commercial approach to this exercise

#### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

1 August 2023

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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

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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## **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

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

HMRC invite interested parties to register using the guidance below.

This requirement will be met by an eSourcing RfI using HMRC SAP Ariba. Please can you ensure you are registered with the HMRC SAP Ariba to gain access to the RfI documentation which will contain full details.

If you are not already registered, the registration link is: <http://hmrc.supplier-eu.ariba.com/ad/register/SSOActions?type=full>

As part of the registration process you will receive a system generated email asking you to activate your SAP Ariba supplier account by verifying your email address. Once you have completed the activation process you will receive a further email by return confirming

the 'registration process is now complete' and providing you with 'your organisation's account ID' number. If an email response from HMRC is not received within one working day of your request, please re-contact [sapariba.hmrcsupport@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:sapariba.hmrcsupport@hmrc.gsi.gov.uk) (after first checking your spam in-box) notifying non-receipt and confirming when your registration request was first made.

Once you have obtained 'your organisation's account ID' number, please email [catherine.moore@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:catherine.moore@hmrc.gov.uk) and cc in [jonathon.carterhume@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:jonathon.carterhume@hmrc.gov.uk) and [e.procurement@hmrc.gov.uk](mailto:e.procurement@hmrc.gov.uk) with your account ID number. Once you have complied with the foregoing you will receive an e-mail confirming access to the Rfl. Further information about HMRC's procurement tool SAP Ariba, a Suppliers Guide and general information about supplying to HMRC is available on the HMRC website: [www.hmrc.gov.uk/about/supplying.htm](http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/about/supplying.htm). If you have already registered on SAP Ariba then you may also need to re-register on HMRC's SAP Ariba in order to be added to the event.

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

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

HMRC

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