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## **Westminster Pier V Berth Licence**

Transport for London

F01: Prior information notice

Call for competition

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKI - London

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://tfl.gov.uk/corporate/publications-and-reports/london-river-services>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://s1-eu.ariba.com/Sourcing/Main/ad/selfRegistration?realm=TfL>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

Transport for London

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[annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk)

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

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://s1-eu.riba.com/Sourcing/Main/ad/selfRegistration?realm=TfL>

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

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

London River Services - Westminster Pier V Berth Licence

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Westminster Pier V Berth Licence

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 60600000 - Water transport services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Transport for London (TfL) and London River Services Ltd (LRSL) are seeking interest and feedback from the market for an exciting opportunity to operate a service from one of the piers they operate.

An opportunity has arisen for a new service to operate from the V-berth at Westminster Pier with the use of a waiting room on the main pontoon and as such, TfL extends the RFQ opportunity to any operator wishing to operate a passenger service from the berth for a fixed term licence duration. This notice is asking for interest in offering a proposal to secure the licence to operate a passenger service at this location.

Westminster Pier is located on the north bank of the River Thames, in close proximity to the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey. The Tenderer is offered the opportunity to operate a passenger service from the V-berth (the berth) at Westminster Pier. In association with the passenger operation, the tenderer is also offered the opportunity to make use of an existing waiting room situated on the pontoon. The opportunity to make use of the waiting room is conditional to a passenger service being operated from the V-berth.

The Tenderer is required to ensure that all relevant licenses and permits are obtained prior to the contract start date and for the duration of the contract.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 92300000 - Entertainment services
- 92600000 - Sporting services

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

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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

The piers facilitate a range of river operations including sightseeing services, the river bus, entertainment cruises, rib services and charter services. Services operate seven days a week throughout the year. It is the responsibility of operators to ensure that services maintain the highest standards of safety, comfort and security for the travelling public, which is reflected in the licences offered by TfL to operate from its piers.

TfL is seeking information to understand the current supply market. Information provided will be used to inform TfL's continued consideration of the nature of any future procurement.

This Prior Information Notice does not formally signify the beginning of a procurement process and does not constitute commitment to undertake a procurement exercise.

Westminster Pier is located on the north bank of River Thames in close proximity to the Houses of Parliament and Westminster Abbey (high tourist traffic). The tenderer may propose any type of passenger service that meets the scope of this document, however it should be demonstrated that the service meets the objectives and underlying principles of the London Passenger Piers Strategy through its design (link below).

<https://content.tfl.gov.uk/pier-passenger-pier-strategy-action-plan.pdf>

TfL extends the RFQ opportunity to any operator wishing to operate a passenger service from the berth for a fixed term licence duration.

It is not anticipated that structural alterations will be required to the pier to accommodate proposed services, however minor infrastructure enhancements and signage improvements may be considered, at TfL's discretion. The Tenderer will be responsible for all costs associated with modifying the pier to accommodate the tenderer's passenger service.

The tenderer should outline their proposed fee mechanism for use of the berth to operate the proposed service

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

Duration in months

36

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Any parties interested in taking part in this market engagement exercise should register their interest by emailing [annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk) and provide details of your organisation, key contact details. Following that, they will have to register into SAP Ariba where they can upload their proposals for evaluation.

This notice does not formally signify the beginning of a procurement. TfL will not enter into a contract based solely on the responses to this notice or any subsequent early market engagement exercise and no information contained in this document or in any communication made between TfL, its subsidiaries or advisers and any supplier in connection with this notice shall be relied upon as constituting a contract, agreement or representation that any contract shall be offered in accordance with this Prior Information Notice (PIN).

Potential suppliers shall be solely responsible for any costs which they incur as a result of responding to this PIN and participating in any aspect of any subsequent early market engagement exercise or procurement process.

TfL will use the information you provide for the purposes of early market engagement. Any personal information you provide will be properly safeguarded and processed in accordance with the requirements of privacy and data protection legislation. For more information please contact [annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:annamariaatkins@tfl.gov.uk) or TfL Privacy and Data Protection team at [dpo@tfl.gov.uk](mailto:dpo@tfl.gov.uk)

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Competitive procedure with negotiation

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of expressions of interest**

Date

1 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Transport for London

London

Country

United Kingdom

