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Planning

YPO - 001162 - Alpha G-Cloud Solution

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

YPO

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE45 - Wakefield

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.ypo.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://procontract.due-north.com/register?ReadForm>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

001162

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

YPO is a leading public sector procurement authority with over 40 years' experience and presence in the market. YPO wishes to initiate Phase 0 – Market consultation for the development of the ground breaking Alpha G-Cloud solution.

It is YPO vision to design a solution that will support public sector organisations across whole UK in maximising the value of technology by offering access to a hosted and centralised digital marketplace(s) with a diverse range of cloud and software applications, subscriptions, and services.

YPO's public sector customers are bound by strict regulations concerning procurement and public tendering such as PCR 2015 and upcoming Procurement Act 2023 and Procurement Regulations 2024.

Alpha G-Cloud solution will be designed to address the compliance challenges when procuring cloud and software applications as well as maintain access to dynamic technology offerings. In development of this solution YPO will be working in collaboration with other stakeholders and YPO's close technology partner, NEPO.

YPO reserves the right to not commit to advertising this tender if we do so wish. Any information provided by suppliers and customers prior to any advertising of the tender will not be used to determine the outcome of any processes.

Should YPO wish to proceed further a formal procurement process will be followed in accordance with YPO's contract procedure rules and in line with the Public Contract Regulations 2015/ Procurement Act 2023 as relevant.

Please note that this notice is to undertake early supplier and customer engagement only, information is being sought without prejudice and without commitment. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email the named contact on this form by close of business on 05 July 2024.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72310000 - Data-processing services
- 72400000 - Internet services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Potential providers of this solution would need to meet the following criteria in order to participate in the pre-market engagement phase, and move on to the full tender process:

1. an established B2B marketplace presence
2. single point of access for customers and it's software and licence providers.
3. centralised order and payment functionality
4. comprehensive cyber security
5. a diverse range of cloud and software applications, subscriptions and services which includes but is not restricted to the following primary categories:

AI and Machine learning

Analytics

Business applications

Blockchain

Data applications and services

DevOps

IT and Management tools

Infrastructure software

Internet of Things

Migration

Monitoring and diagnostics

In order to gain further insight into the market and to generate interest amongst prospective bidders YPO intend hosting a series of market engagement events to be held in July and August 2024 at which YPO and the participating organisations will be required to make a formal presentation.

Prospective providers wishing to participate should in the first instance email Agnieszka Gajli, YPO's project lead, at itservices@ypo.co.uk with the subject heading 'Alpha G-Cloud – Phase 0 Market Consultation' by close of business on 05 July 2024.

Please attach a summary (strictly for information only) of no more than 250 words per criterion how your organisation would meet the initial requirements. Upon receipt of the expressions of interest, and the information only submissions, further details of the formal presentation and attendance instructions will be made available.

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There is a possibility that this framework will be subject to renewal after 3.5 years from the commencement date".

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

4 November 2024

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

YPO are purchasing on the behalf of other contracting authorities. Please see the below link for details: <https://www.ypo.co.uk/about/customers/missible-users>.

YPO will incorporate a standstill period at the point of notification of the award of the contract is provided to all bidders. The standstill period will be for a minimum of 08 working days, and provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Procurement Act 2023 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

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