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Planning

SWAN Re-procurement

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

The Common Services Agency (more commonly known as NHS National Services Scotland) ("NSS")

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UKM - Scotland

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Main address

<http://www.nss.nhs.scot/browse/procurement-and-logistics>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA11883

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SWAN Re-procurement

Reference number

NP502423

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 Scottish Wide-Area network (SWAN) Replacement Procurement is an initiative supported by over 90 public sector organisations within Scotland that procure services under the existing SWAN framework agreement. There are now around 6,020 sites connected to the single broadband network. The framework now needs to be replaced before March 2023 to ensure continuity of networking services.

The purpose of this notice is to make interested parties aware of the forthcoming re-procurement of the SWAN framework and to enable interested parties to engage with NHS National Services Scotland through a short questionnaire and a market briefing session (see section VI.3 below).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £350,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72315000 - Data network management and support services
- 72315100 - Data network support services
- 72315200 - Data network management services
- 72511000 - Network management software services
- 72212200 - Networking, Internet and intranet software development services
- 72212210 - Networking software development services
- 72212214 - Network operating system software development services
- 72212215 - Networking developers software development services
- 72212216 - Network connectivity terminal emulation software development services
- 72212219 - Miscellaneous networking software development services
- 64200000 - Telecommunications services
- 64227000 - Integrated telecommunications services
- 71316000 - Telecommunication consultancy services
- 72212515 - Video conferencing software development services
- 51314000 - Installation services of video equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The Programme supports the McClelland review of Scottish Public Sector ICT Infrastructure recommendation for the delivery of a single public services communications network infrastructure for Scotland and builds on the cross sector collaboration established over the duration of the existing SWAN framework contract.

The current SWAN framework is due to expire in April 2023 and participating authorities

have agreed that the framework needs to be replaced before March 2023 to ensure continuity of networking services.

The high-level scope of the SWAN Replacement Procurement is defined as the acquisition of Wide Area Network and all services currently available under the existing SWAN framework, which can be used by potentially all public sector organisations in Scotland and initially by the participating authorities (as existing SWAN Members). The procurement scope is envisaged to include the following key elements:

- the future WAN requirements of the participating authorities; and
- additional service requirements of the participating authorities (to include LAN, voice, and IoT services).

II.2.14) Additional information

The questionnaire asks suppliers to identify the services currently available in the marketplace and the anticipated direction of future market development. The questionnaire can be obtained from this PCS site.

Suppliers who complete and return the questionnaire by 12:00 noon on Monday 30/08/2021 will be invited to a briefing session with NSS to be held on the afternoon of 07/09/2021.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 September 2021

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

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