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Planning

Training Content Library

Network Rail Infrastructure Ltd

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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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

Other activity

Railway Infrastructure

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Training Content Library

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80500000 - Training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this Request For Information (RFI) is to engage with the supply base and request information relating to learning content libraries available in the market that can meet Network Rail requirements,.

Network Rail estimate their potential audience for leadership, professional and personal development to be in the region of 20,000 employees (this excludes frontline colleagues).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £250,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48160000 - Library software package

- 48931000 - Training software package

- 79632000 - Personnel-training services

- 80000000 - Education and training services

- 80420000 - E-learning services

- 80500000 - Training services

- 80510000 - Specialist training services

- 80511000 - Staff training services

- 80532000 - Management training services

- 80570000 - Personal development training services

- 92511000 - Library services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this RFI is to engage with the supply base and request information relating to learning content libraries available in the market that can meet Network Rail requirements, specifically around innovation linked to license models and AI.

As an arm's length government organisation, Network Rail has a responsibility to ensure funding provides value for money and that there is a proven return on any investment. With this in mind, Network Rail require supply that can provide a platform that meets its needs both in terms of relevant, quality content, user experience, and innovation as well as a license model that offers a flexible approach based on user activity.

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The potential requirement (subject to change) may include the following:

1. A platform that will provide an innovative and modern shop window to Network Rail customers, allowing them to explore leadership, professional and personal development content they may be interested in, where a license is enabled (payable) at the point of 'accessing' content.

2. A platform that allows individuals to access content at the point of need and supports them through their journey, allowing them to leave without penalty. Once they have completed their learning, they are able to exit the license without further charge.

The above will allow a flexible approach, demonstrating value for money and preventing the audience from flatlining. There is potentially a large audience to be leveraged, however, Network Rail are required to be demand-driven and innovation concerning licensing models are desirable to avoid payment for 'inactivity', thereby ensuring value for money. Network Rail wishes to utilise responses to this RFI to help frame the requirements alongside any that may not have been considered.

Please note that any content received via response to this RFI will be used purely for

information purposes only and will not be deemed as forming part of any proposed bid now, or any potential future tender.

Network Rail may be looking to tender this requirement in the near future - any potential tender event in relation to this requirement will be administered via the Network Rail procurement platform – BravoNR:

https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 September 2023

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

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note any discussions which do occur will cease immediately should a formal

competition ultimately be announced. Network Rail is committed to ensuring fairness, openness and transparency, and to following UK procurement regulations.

The Periodic Indicative Notice is issued solely for the purpose of conducting pre-procurement market engagement via a request for information and does not constitute any commitment to undertake any procurement in the future. Interested parties will not be prejudiced by any response or failure to respond to the PIN event and a response to this PIN does not guarantee any invitation to participate in this event or any future procurement. This PIN does not constitute a call for competition to procure any services, supplies or works mentioned in this PIN and Network Rail will not accept any proposals offered in response to this PIN.

Network Rail is not liable for any costs, fees, or expenses incurred by any party in replying to this PIN. Any procurement of any services, supplies or works by Network Rail will be carried out strictly in accordance with the provisions of the Utilities Contracts Regulations 2016.

Should you wish to respond to this RFI please complete the attached document titled "Digital Content Library RFI Submission Template", which can be accessed via the link and instructions below:

Follow the following link - https://networkrail.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html

From the welcome screen, access the "View Current Opportunities" link and select

"Digital Content Library - Request for Information (RFI)".

Click on the attachment – "Digital Content Library RFI Submission Template". Supplier responses should be completed through responding to questions within this provided

excel document.

Once completed, please send your excel submission document via email as attachment to tom.weatherley@networkrail.co.uk with the email subject "Digital Content Library RFI Submission".

The response deadline for this RFI is Wednesday 27th July 2023.

Any questions or clarifications in respect of this RFI should be addressed to tom.weatherley@networkrail.co.uk.

Network Rail would like to thank you in advance, should you wish to respond to this Request for Information.