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Managed Financial Services

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

King Charles Street

London

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Contact

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Email

ict.commercial@fcdo.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Managed Financial Services

Reference number

CPG/8256/2022

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66170000 - Financial consultancy, financial transaction processing and clearing-house services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a voluntary ex ante transparency (VEAT) notice. This notice is to indicate the Authority intends to contract with named supplier for the provision of managed financial services.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £2,800,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

During a period of transitioning and migrating from the legacy to new Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system, the scope of services are;

Reconciling approx. 10,000 invoices per annum received back to complex volumetric based contracts, though recent disaggregation shall see this increase by approx. 25% year on year;

Engage contract mgmt and suppliers where invoices do not reconcile;

Develop business cases based on the appropriate accounting treatment;

Respond to NAO questions at quarter 3 and quarter 4 to evidence the appropriateness of financial treatment and governance;

Complete financial accounting returns at Q3 and Q4 for the NAO to audit;

Monthly forecast meetings with all budget holders and uploads agreed position;

Manage cash requirements and forecasts with the CSC;

Work with the fixed asset team on lifeing assets;

Manage corporate service external facing KPI.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The Authority intends to award this contract to the named supplier under regulation 32.2.b.ii.

The named supplier currently provides the Services under a broader agreement, which is in exit. The Authority considers the services to business critical, in that they are essential to our ability to procure goods and pay our suppliers on time.

The Authority is currently migrating between its PRISM ERP (xFCO) and ARES (xDFID) to a consolidated FCDO HERA ERP. Experience and understanding of all systems is integral to the function performed by this specialist finance team. During the present financial year and to deliver year end accounts and annual reporting, the Authority requires that the provider resources the service with knowledge of both the old and new ERP systems since they can ensure a smooth migration of data and integrity of year end accounts.

The Authority therefore considers that competition is absent for technical reasons and is seeking to award a short term contract that will facilitate an efficient and effective transition from current ERP to the new ERP. If required, provision of the Services following transition will be the subject of a procurement exercise.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

CPG/8256/2022

Title

Managed Financial Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 July 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

BAE Systems Applied Intelligence Limited

Surrey Research Park

Guildford, Surrey

GU2 7RQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,800,000

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V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Authority intends to execute the proposed the proposed agreement with the supplier on 1st September 2022 for a period of twelve (12) months, with an optional twelve (12) month extension.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court, Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom