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Future opportunity

Food & Drink

Crown Commercial Service

F01: Prior information notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/ccs>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Public procurement

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Food & Drink

Reference number

RM6279

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority intends to put in place a pan Government Collaborative Agreement for the provision of Food & Drink to be utilised by Central Government Departments and all other UK Public Sector Bodies, including Local Authorities, Health, Police, Fire and Rescue, Education and Devolved Administrations

The final structure of this procurement vehicle (including any use of a Dynamic Purchasing System) will be determined as a result of the engagement process, and will be confirmed within the Contract Notice

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,800,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 03000000 - Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products
- 03100000 - Agricultural and horticultural products
- 03200000 - Cereals, potatoes, vegetables, fruits and nuts
- 03300000 - Farming, hunting and fishing products
- 03400000 - Forestry and logging products
- 15000000 - Food, beverages, tobacco and related products
- 15100000 - Animal products, meat and meat products
- 15200000 - Prepared and preserved fish
- 15300000 - Fruit, vegetables and related products
- 15400000 - Animal or vegetable oils and fats
- 15500000 - Dairy products
- 15600000 - Grain mill products, starches and starch products
- 15700000 - Animal feedstuffs
- 15800000 - Miscellaneous food products
- 15900000 - Beverages, tobacco and related products
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 48100000 - Industry specific software package
- 48200000 - Networking, Internet and intranet software package
- 48500000 - Communication and multimedia software package
- 48600000 - Database and operating software package
- 48700000 - Software package utilities
- 48800000 - Information systems and servers
- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems
- 55300000 - Restaurant and food-serving services
- 55500000 - Canteen and catering services
- 60100000 - Road transport services
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72100000 - Hardware consultancy services
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72300000 - Data services
- 72400000 - Internet services
- 72500000 - Computer-related services
- 72600000 - Computer support and consultancy services
- 72700000 - Computer network services
- 72900000 - Computer back-up and catalogue conversion services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This PIN replaces the previous three stage procurement process initially planned by CCS. The RM6227 (Technology and Management Agent - Food Supply and Delivery Platform), RM6228 (Logistics Processors with associated Consolidation Hub functionality) and RM6131 (Food DPS) opportunities will be closed shortly.

CCS are looking to procure a Food & Drink commercial solution that will:

- Support all food producers (including SMEs) in accessing public sector food opportunities

- Support sustainable food production

- Support the public sector in accessing local food produce at the right price

- Support public sector food buyers in buying better quality, safer, sustainable food that meets The Government Buying Standards for Food

- Support public sector customers in meeting carbon net zero goals

- Build and monitor social value through public sector food procurement

- Support investment in local communities, equality and diversity, reduction in Modern Slavery risks, resource efficiency and environmental sustainability

CCS will not set out a procurement strategy at this stage but will engage with the market to understand what solution will work best.

The final structure of the Food & Drink commercial solution will be confirmed within the Contract Notice.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 March 2022

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

The intention of this PIN is to:

- 1) Inform the market that CCS have changed their approach to the market for the delivery of a Food & Drink agreement. CCS have not set out a procurement strategy at this stage (see Section II.2.4);
- 2) Gauge market interest in this procurement;
- 3) Engage with the market to develop the right commercial solution to meet CCS objectives;
- 4) Identify suppliers who would like to participate in the engagement process, including webinars, surveys and meetings. An introductory webinar will be scheduled for 2pm on Tuesday 14th September 2021;
- 5) To participate in the webinar and to register for regular updates, please email

Food@crowncommercial.gov.uk with the following detail:

1. Organisation name
2. Contact name
3. Job title of contact (including responsibility within your organisation)
4. Contact phone number
5. Contact email
6. Organisation website link

Information related to the project will be uploaded to the CCS RM6279 webpage.

Please note that the date of the Find a Tender Service Contract Notice is subject to change.