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## **DfC - 4345809 - Department for Communities Public Realm/Environmental Improvement Schemes ICT Framework Agreement 2022-2026**

Department for Communities

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**NUTS code**

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**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps/home.do>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps/home.do>

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#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

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#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71420000 - Landscape architectural services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Framework is for the provision of construction related Professional Services by Integrated Consultant Teams associated with Urban Public Realm/Environmental Improvement Schemes. Time Charge and Work Orders will be allocated by call-off and secondary competition and the Client will appoint the Lead Consultants ICT and CTM's using an NEC4 PSC. The ICT's will be required to fully design the schemes and take them through the various stages of consultation with Statutory Bodies and local communities, obtain planning approval and procure and manage Works Contracts. Further locations may be identified for development, however it is anticipated that the majority of schemes will mainly be implemented in the Greater Belfast area

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 71410000 - Urban planning services

- 71311000 - Civil engineering consultancy services
- 71311210 - Highways consultancy services
- 71311220 - Highways engineering services
- 71312000 - Structural engineering consultancy services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

As described in the Contract Documents

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This Framework Agreement will be awarded for a period of 4 years with the option to terminate at the end of Year 1, Year 2 and Year 3 or at any other time as may be deemed necessary by the Contracting Authority

### **II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged number of candidates: 4

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements**

## **relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

List and brief description of conditions: In order for a Contractor/Consultant to be eligible to participate in this competition they must hold licenses, accreditation or certificates for specific categories and sectors as set out in the PQQ documents.

### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

## **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

The Economic Operators' performance on this Contract will be regularly monitored. As part of its contract management procedures, the Contracting Authority will use the Protocol for Managing Poor Supplier Performance contained in Procurement Guidance Note PGN 01/12 – Contract Management Principles and Procedures. . <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/publications/procurement-guidance-note-0112-contract-management-principles-and-procedures>. . If an Economic Operator has received more than one current Notice of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance, the Contracting Authority, at its discretion, can consider an Economic Operator's exclusion from future procurements, being undertaken on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Public Procurement Policy (NIPP), for a minimum period of 12 months or 3 years respectively A. list. of bodies subject to Northern Ireland Public Procurement Policy can be viewed at <https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/articles/list-public-bodies-which-ni-public-procurement-policy-applies>.

### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 4

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

1 September 2022

Local time

3:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 1 June 2023

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

CPD is assisting the CA Department for Communities in conducting the procurement process for this framework requirement, but for the avoidance of doubt, all contracts will be entered into by the Department for Communities and the successful tenderers. CPD is acting as a central purchasing body.. . The Authority expressly reserves the right (a) not to award any Contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice; (b) To make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in no circumstances will the Authority be liable for any costs incurred by candidates participating in this competition. Contracts awarded as a result of this procurement process shall be considered as a contract made in Northern Ireland and subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Northern Ireland Courts. The Contracting Authority reserves the right not to award any contracts as a result of this competition. The process may be terminated or suspended at any time without cost or liability to the Contracting Authority. While it intends to do so, the Contracting Authority does not bind itself or others to enter into any contract arising out of the procedures envisaged by this notice. No contractual rights expressed or implied arise out of the notice or procedures envisaged by it. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to vary its requirements and the procedures relating to the conduct of the award process. The Contracting Authority shall disqualify any Economic Operator which is ineligible under Regulation 57 of the Public Contracts Regulations (PCR) (subject to any overriding public interest requirement) and reserves the right to disqualify any organisation which: (a) Provides information or confirmations which later prove to be untrue or incorrect; (b) Does not supply the information within the timescale required by this notice or by the Invitation to Tender Documentation or as otherwise required during the process. . . Instructions on how to submit a tender; - Suppliers must be registered on the Contracting Authorities e-procurement portal, eTendersNI available on the following link: <https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps/home.do> . All suppliers should follow the instructions on how to submit a tender within the Introduction and Brief Explanation document held within the documents area for this procurement on the eTendersNI portal..

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Department of Finance, Central Procurement Directorate Procurement Operations Branch

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