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Planning

Next Generation Procurement (NGP) Physical Forensics Services

BlueLight Commercial

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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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://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwentrance_s.asp?PID=39366&B=BLUELIGHT

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

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Next Generation Procurement (NGP) Physical Forensics Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

BlueLight Commercial (BLC) is working with The Forensic Capability Network (FCN) to deliver a collaborative approach to the next generation of forensics contracts for physical forensics services.

The project sits under the National Police Chiefs Council (NPCC) Forensics Marketplace Portfolio and is known as the Next Generation Procurement (NGP).

At the heart of this work is the decision to take a nationally aggregated approach to build a cohesive sustainable marketplace environment, where service delivery and capacity meet both the current and future needs of policing and the criminal justice system (CJS).

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II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot structure details to be confirmed at a later date

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71600000 - Technical testing, analysis and consultancy services
- 71610000 - Composition and purity testing and analysis services
- 71620000 - Analysis services
- 71621000 - Technical analysis or consultancy services
- 71630000 - Technical inspection and testing services
- 73111000 - Research laboratory services
- 75241100 - Police services
- 79700000 - Investigation and security services
- 85111810 - Blood analysis services
- 85148000 - Medical analysis services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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The NGP will drive standardisation and operational efficiencies for both customers and suppliers, whilst maintaining quality, maximising flexibility of supply and building resilience into the supply chain.

Additionally, we want to ensure that suppliers can invest in innovation and continuous improvement and that the market is open to new ways of working and new suppliers.

FCN are in the process of working with stakeholders to develop an outline service design of the initial procurement and contract strategy, including the procurement route and contractual vehicle.

The estimated value of the NGP will be provided in a contract notice. It is anticipated that the contract notice (call for competition) will be published in September 2021 with an indicative target date for first contracts to go live in July 2022.

The purpose of this early engagement notice is to invite suppliers to be part of the supplier consultation process to inform and finalise the strategy for this procurement. We are holding a marketplace consultation Webinar on 9th September 2021. To register for this event please go to:

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=BLUELIGHT>

II.2.14) Additional information

If you would like more information or if you are keen to participate, please register on as a supplier Bluelight Emergency Services e-tendering portal and express an interest.

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

24 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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