

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/022568-2024>

Tender

Sheep Enhancement Services

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION LIMITED

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-022568

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04830c

Published 19 July 2024, 4:46pm

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION LIMITED

The Seacole Building , Marsham Street

London

SW1P 4DF

Email

commercial@livestockinformation.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI32 - Westminster

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.livestockinformation.org.uk

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

www.livestockinformation.org.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Sheep Enhancement Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Livestock Information Ltd (LI Ltd) provides livestock movement information for industry and government that enables :

Better control of endemic livestock diseases

Terminate exotic disease outbreaks quickly and efficiently.

Drive positive changes in productivity and sustainability.

Develop a competitive trade advantage by building trade partner and consumer confidence in the provenance of British meat and livestock products.

LI Ltd is owned by the Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and is a Contracting Authority.

The current contract is being delivered by a UK based provider with an offshore capability and is due to expire in April 2025, therefore the Authority is seeking expressions from economic operators who can provide the services.

The sheep application is a component within the LIS multispecies animal movement system.

Sheep movements are recorded through the sheep application customer website and through APIs for third parties such as markets and abattoirs. A back-office administration web interface is provided for customer service support teams.

Data is provided and received from the Livestock Unique Identification Service (LUIS) the ear tag management system and consumed by LI's data and analytics reporting service known as the Data Barn.

LUIS, Data Barn services and customer service support are out of scope for the sheep application support supplier.

The supplier will provide capabilities to deliver application break fix support at Level 3 and Level 4, data fixes, sheep application enhancements or new features, testing, capacity and performance enhancements, Azure cost optimisation, security hardening and end to end testing.

The scope will be expanded to include development, enhancements and support for additional species such as cattle and pigs.

The supplier will follow LI's agile delivery framework and have the opportunity to bring their delivery experience and shape/improve the maturity of agile ways of working.

Azure DevOps is used to maintain the programme and suppliers' backlogs, manage sprint delivery, test cases and pipelines.

The supplier will conduct sprint planning in line with programme iteration planning, business priorities, interproject dependencies, two-week sprint cadence and align to LI's release milestones.

The supplier will build Continuous Integration Continuous Delivery (CICD) pipelines using the LI ADO instance and Azure Resource Manager (ARM) for Infrastructure as Code and for application source code.

The supplier will be responsible for managing pipeline deployments in non-production environments and will be working with the Testing provider and other suppliers.

It is envisaged that the contract will commence onshore and will then be either offshored or nearshored when the services are mature enough to do so.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £66,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Contracting Authority is seeking a supplier to provide ongoing capability to deliver the services described in II 1.4 across current live service(s), additions and enhancements to current live service(s), new multi-species platform services under development and the migration of current live services to the new multi-species platform.

The contract term will be for a period of up to 5 years with an

initial term of 3 years and the option for the Contracting Authority acting in its sole discretion, to extend for two further periods of 1 year each), aiming to commence on or around June 2025

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: £66,000,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Refer to the procurement documents

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Please refer to the procurement documents

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

Refer to the procurement 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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Competitive procedure with negotiation

IV.1.5) Information about negotiation

The contracting authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations

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

31 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The procurement is undertaken pursuant to the Competitive Procedure with Negotiation (CPN).

Applicants will initially need to register their interest by sending an email no later than 31st July 2024 to:

commercial@livestockinformation.org.uk and will need to complete a non-disclosure agreement (NDA) which will be issued by the Authority's commercial team.

Once the signed NDA has been received by the Authority then all procurement documentation will be available from the Authority's portal and all communication is to be conducted via the portal.

Applicants will then be required to complete and return responses to the selection questionnaire (SQ) in accordance with the instructions set out in the procurement documentation.

Following the evaluation of the SQ returns, the Authority will shortlist up to 5 applicants to participate in the stage stage of the process.

For clarity, the successful applicants invited to the next stage of the process will then be referred to as bidders .Bidders will then be asked to submit their initial returns to provide their proposals to deliver the services and to provide the costs for doing so .

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to award the contract on the basis of the initial tenders without conducting negotiations.

Should the Authority decide to negotiate, all bidders will be invited to participate. Once the Authority identifies the solution/solutions capable of meeting its needs, the negotiation

phase will be concluded and bidders invited to submit a final tender before a preferred bidder is selected that represents the Most Economically Advantageous Tender.

Full details of the scope and requirements for the opportunity will be set out in the procurement documentation to be issued by the Authority.

To be able to access the procurement documents, applicants will need to register their company details commercial@livestockinformation.org.uk no later than 31st July 2024

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The High Court

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom