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## **Robotic Surgical Equipment and Associated Accessories Agile**

NHS Supply Chain

F01: Prior information notice

Reducing time limits for receipt of tenders

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

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health>

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-of-health/about/procurement>

**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://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

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<https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com/>

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Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

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

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Robotic Surgical Equipment and Associated Accessories Agile

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

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

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

Supplies

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

To provide a framework for Robotic Surgical Equipment and associated accessories. NHS Supply Chain is conducting market research into Robotic Surgical Equipment, including related accessories/consumables, that cover a wide range of medical procedures including, but not limited to, General Surgery and Laparoscopic. Precise quantities are unknown. Due to technological advancement, specifications will be reviewed, to enable the NHS to access to the latest products via the framework. New suppliers may be awarded on the framework due to this. More information on this is provided in the attached letter. This will be in conjunction with the 2 year extension.

Precise quantities are unknown & is anticipated that initial expenditure will be between GBP 75,000,000 to GBP 80,000,000 in the first year of the extension period, however this is approximate only and the values may vary depending on the requirements of those bodies purchasing under the Framework Agreement.

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

Value excluding VAT: £160,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 33160000 - Operating techniques
- 33162000 - Operating theatre devices and instruments
- 33162100 - Operating-theatre devices
- 33168000 - Endoscopy, endosurgery devices
- 33169000 - Surgical instruments

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations with the UK

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Supply / Weighting: 0

Quality criterion - Name: Support / Weighting: 0

Quality criterion - Name: Training / Weighting: 0

Quality criterion - Name: Warranty and Repairs / Weighting: 0

Cost criterion - Name: Financial / Weighting: 0

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

Value excluding VAT: £160,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

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

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

**II.2.14) Additional information**

Please refer to the Guidance Document connected to this Notice for further information regarding the appointment of Applicants.

**II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

16 August 2022

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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

Please refer to the Guidance Document connected to this Notice for further information regarding the appointment of Applicants.

#### **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**

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **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

#### **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.2.5) Scheduled date for start of award procedures**

19 September 2022

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

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

The following certification will be a requirement of the upcoming tender exercise and Applicants may be required to include evidence of this within their tender submission.

- ISO 9001:2015 or equivalent externally accredited and up-to-date quality standard certificate(s) to cover all segments of the Applicant's (and the product's) supply chain. This should include but not be limited to manufacturing, storage, distribution and customer service. Further information in respect of certification requirements will be set out in the notice for the forthcoming procurement. If such certificates are not in the name of the Applicant then the Applicant must supply a copy of agreements setting out the authority and responsibilities of all parties in the supply chain and provide evidence of ISO9001:2015 or equivalent for all relevant parties in the supply chain.



- Employers Liability Insurance
- Public Liability Insurance
- Product Liability Insurance

cover in the name of the Applicant of £5m per claim

- Declaration of Conformity and CE Certification to demonstrate compliance to Medical Devices Directive 93/42/EEC or Medical Device Regulation 2017/745 (where applicable)

The purpose of this notice is to draw attention to the reopening of the Framework Agreement to onboard any new Applicants that meets/exceeds the minimum requirements set out within the Tender Documents. This is due to technological innovations within this market.

The Framework Agreement between NHS Supply Chain and successful suppliers will reserve the right to purchase the same or similar supplies and/or services from suppliers not appointed to the Framework Agreement at its sole discretion.

Whilst it is anticipated that initial expenditure will be in the region of £110,000,000 for this contract award, this is approximate only and the values will be to such level as those purchasing under the Framework Agreement consider necessary to provide suitable requirements.

NHS Supply Chain expects to provide successful suppliers with the opportunity to offer additional savings to customers through the provision of discounted pricing, value added offerings and commitment/bulk buy initiatives.

The Framework Agreement will be between NHS Supply Chain and the Supplier, however 1) NHS Supply Chain, 2) any NHS Trust; 3) any other NHS entity; 4) any government department, agency or other statutory body and/or 5) any private sector entity active in the UK healthcare sector will be able to enter into a direct contract with the Supplier for any of the supplies and/or services under the Framework.

The Supplier will be required to report to and pay a direct contract management fee to NHS Supply Chain as detailed in the tender documents.

## REGISTRATION

1. Use URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> to access the NHS Supply Chain Procurement portal.

2. If not yet registered:

- Click on the 'Not Registered Yet' link to access the registration page.
- Complete the registration pages as guided by the mini guide found on the landing page.

## PORTAL ACCESS

If registration has been completed:

- Login with URL <https://nhssupplychain.app.jaggaer.com//> .
- Click on the "Supplier Dashboard" icon and select "Prior Information Notice" towards the top right of the screen to open the list of new Prior Information Notices.

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

- View PIN content by clicking on the 'VIEW NOTICE' button for the procurement event. This opens a PDF document.
- Express an interest by clicking on the 'EXPRESS INTEREST' button.

## TENDER DOCUMENTATION

- The tender documents will be issued via the Jaggaer Messages Tab which will become available once expression of interest has been made.
- Please follow the instructions set out within these tender documents. Details of the minimum requirements are set out within these documents.
- Please ensure you adhere to any deadlines detailed within the tender documents.

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

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

NHS Supply Chain

at abovementioned address

London

Country

United Kingdom

