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Tender

## Back Office Software 2

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

F02: Contract notice

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

**5 September 2024, 3:00pm**

See the [change notice](#).

## Section I: Contracting authority

### I.1) Name and addresses

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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Liverpool

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region 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**

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

<https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://crowncommercialservice.bravosolution.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Back Office Software 2

Reference number

RM6285

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

#### **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 Back Office Software 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 Back Office Software 2 framework agreement will provide a route to market for organisations wishing to purchase software and support for back office systems, directly from the software vendor.

It is envisaged that the framework will cover the following: enterprise resource planning, HR and payroll, financial accounting, procurement and supply chain management, customer relationship management, productivity workflow technologies, content services, service portal, integration software, mobility and accessibility, as well as support and maintenance for these services.

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

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Enterprise Software

Lot No

1

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 48170000 - Compliance software package
- 48217000 - Transaction-processing software package
- 48311000 - Document management software package
- 48400000 - Business transaction and personal business software package
- 48440000 - Financial analysis and accounting software package
- 48445000 - Customer Relation Management software package
- 48450000 - Time accounting or human resources software package
- 48451000 - Enterprise resource planning software package
- 48480000 - Sales, marketing and business intelligence software package
- 48517000 - IT software package
- 48900000 - Miscellaneous software package and computer systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72210000 - Programming services of packaged software products

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Enterprise resource planning, HR and payroll, financial accounting, procurement and supply chain management, customer relationship management, productivity workflow technologies, content services, service portal, integration software, mobility and accessibility, as well as support and maintenance for these services.

Buyers will be able to award specific call-off contracts through two order procedures including direct award and further competition.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000,000

#### **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

The initial duration of the Framework is 30 months, with an option to extend for a further 18 months

CCS reserve the right to extend lots by varying durations

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: No

## **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**

Unlimited places

# **II.2) Description**

## **II.2.1) Title**

Specialised Software Solutions

Lot No

2

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 48170000 - Compliance software package
- 48217000 - Transaction-processing software package
- 48311000 - Document management software package
- 48400000 - Business transaction and personal business software package
- 48440000 - Financial analysis and accounting software package
- 48445000 - Customer Relation Management software package
- 48450000 - Time accounting or human resources software package
- 48451000 - Enterprise resource planning software package
- 48480000 - Sales, marketing and business intelligence software package
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### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

This Lot is designed for lower value innovative solutions to deploy Back Office Software, leveraging a lower threshold of standards and accreditation to encourage opportunity within the SME community. To include enterprise resource planning, HR and payroll, financial accounting, procurement and supply chain management, customer relationship management, productivity workflow technologies, content services, service portal, integration software, mobility and accessibility, as well as support and maintenance for these services.

Buyers will be able to award specific call-off contracts through two order procedures including direct award and further competition.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000,000

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

Duration in months

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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

Candidates will be assessed in accordance with Section 5 of the 2015 Public Contract Regulations (implementing the directive) on the basis of information provided in response to an invitation to tender (ITT) registering for access.

##### **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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open 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

#### 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2023/S 000-037422](#)

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

Originally published as:

Date

27 August 2024

Local time

3:00pm

Changed to:

Date

5 September 2024

Local time

3:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

**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: 22 February 2025

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

27 August 2024

Local time

3:01pm

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### VI.3) Additional information

As part of this contract notice the following documents can be accessed at:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/Manage/0962fefd-8060-4503-a002-f748d0d5cbef>

- 1) Contract notice transparency information for the agreement;
- 2) Contract notice authorised customer list;
- 3) Rights reserved for CCS framework.

The Government Security Classifications (GSC) Policy came into force on 2 April 2014 and describes how HM Government classifies information assets to ensure they are appropriately protected. It applies to all information that Government collects, stores, processes, generates or shares to deliver services and conduct business.

Cyber Essentials is a mandatory requirement for Central Government contracts which involve handling personal information or provide certain ICT products/services. Government is taking steps to reduce the levels of cyber security risk in its supply chain through the Cyber Essentials scheme. The scheme defines a set of controls which, when implemented, will provide organisations with basic protection from the most prevalent forms of threat coming from the internet. To participate in this procurement, bidders must be able to demonstrate they comply with the technical requirements prescribed by Cyber Essentials, for services under and in connection with this procurement.

Refer to <https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/information/cyber-essentials-faqs> for more information.

Some purchases under this framework Agreement may have requirements that can be met under this Framework Agreement but the purchase of which may be exempt from the Procurement Regulations (as defined in Attachment 1 – About the framework within the invitation to tender documentation). In such cases, Call-offs from this Framework will be unregulated purchases for the purposes of the Procurement Regulations, and the buyers may, at their discretion, modify the terms of the Framework and any Call-off Contracts to reflect that buyer's specific needs.

Minimum standards of reliability:

CCS may also assess whether the selection criteria (in respect of III.1.3 Technical and professional ability), as set out in the procurement documents, is met on request from a buyer prior to the proposed conclusion of a call-off contract with a value in excess of 20 000 000 GBP.

Registering for access:

This procurement will be managed electronically via the eSourcing suite. This will be the route for sharing all information and communicating with bidders. If you have recently registered on the eSourcing suite for another CCS procurement you can use the same account for this new procurement. If not, you will first need to register your organisation on the portal.

Use the following link for information on how register and use the eSourcing tool:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/esourcing-tool-guidance-for-suppliers>

For assistance please contact the eSourcing Help desk operated by email at [eEnablement@crowncommercial.gov.uk](mailto:eEnablement@crowncommercial.gov.uk) or call 0345 410 2222.

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

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

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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