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Planning

Digital Histopathology for Regional Cross site reporting & Pathology Image sharing

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Section I: Contracting authority

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Region code

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Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK3 - Cornwall and Isles of Scilly

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Royal Devon University Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust

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Region code

UKK4 - Devon

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

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Bath

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Region code

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://salisbury.nhs.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

Somerset NHS Foundation Trust

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TA1 5DA

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK23 - Somerset

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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<https://www.somersetft.nhs.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

Torbay and South Devon NHS Foundation Trust

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Torquay

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Region code

UKK42 - Torbay

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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Main address

<https://www.torbaysouthdevon.nhs.uk/>

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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Plymouth

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKK41 - Plymouth

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

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I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK23 - Somerset

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.yeovilhospital.co.uk/>

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKK25 - Dorset

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.1) Name and addresses

University Hospitals Dorset NHS Foundation Trust

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK24 - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.uhd.nhs.uk/>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves 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://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Digital Histopathology for Regional Cross site reporting & Pathology Image sharing

Reference number

C199126

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

The South West Region would like to implement a single solution that provides a unified reporting experience for Pathology. From this market engagement we would like to gather information to develop informed decision making, better understanding the capability of the market, and the possible options available to then develop out to further 'ologies as the clinical networks develop.

The solution should allow for image data to be transferred and accessed in a bi-directional manner without compromising speed of access, and image fidelity on a near real-time basis.

The solution should be accessible across the group of hospital pathology departments and from remote locations to allow for flexibility, and ease of use while maintaining a consistent in-hospital experience from all locations.

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Dorset University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

The core anticipated term is 5 years (March 2024 to 31st March 2029), with potential further extension option 2 x 1 year periods.

Contract.

The Commissioner will be contracting for the services using the NHS Standard Good and Services Contract 2023/24 version.

To submit an expression of interest, providers are asked to firstly register on Atamis via the link provided <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Once registered, interested parties are asked to complete the expression of interest by way of an MS Forms questionnaire. The MS Forms questionnaire link can be found within the supplier documents section within the project in Atamis.

Interested parties need to register on Atamis to then complete the expression of interest and MS Forms questionnaire by Tuesday 5th September 2023 at 12 midday BST.

If you experience any difficulties completing this questionnaire or registering on Atamis, please contact commercial.procurementhub@nhs.net

Please note a completed expression of interest form submitted via MS Forms is the only accepted method of expressing an interest (correspondence received by any other route will not be responded to).

Expressions of interest will be treated as commercial in confidence and responses will not be evaluated or used in the potential procurement.

This process is being managed by the National, Commercial and Procurement Hub on behalf of the Commissioner(s).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48180000 - Medical software package
- 48211000 - Platform interconnectivity software package
- 48510000 - Communication software package
- 48814000 - Medical information systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK - South West (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.14) Additional information

Interested providers will be able to view this opportunity via the live opportunities list on the 'Health Family' e-procurement system, Atamis. Click on 'View our Live Opportunities' from the home page, available on the following link: <https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>.

Once you have found the opportunity (via the search function, using the title or reference number), to gain full access to the documentation (including MS Forms questionnaire link), you will need to click on 'Register interest' - this will take you to the log-in page.

If you are not already registered on the system, you will need to do so before gaining full access to the documentation and be able to submit an expression of interest.

This notice is an information gathering exercise rather than a call for competition in its own right, and therefore publication or response does not commit the Authority or respondents to a future procurement, nor provide any process exemptions or preferential treatment to any parties expressing an interest. The Authority will not be liable for costs incurred by any interested party in participating in this exercise.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 October 2023

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Any future tendering process will be conducted in accordance with the requirements and flexibilities provided by Articles 74 to 76 of the Directive, and Regulations 74 to 76 of the Regulations. The Authority will run a transparent tender process, treating all Bidders equally. For the avoidance of doubt, the Authority will not be bound by the Regulations or any other regulations or legislation except for the specific parts or circumstances that apply to the procurement of these Services.

Neither the inclusion of a Bidder selection stage, nor the use of any language or terms found in the Directive or Regulations, nor the description of the procedure voluntarily adopted by the Authority ("Open", "Restricted", "Competitive Procedure with Negotiation", "Competitive Dialogue" or any other description), nor any other indication, shall be taken to mean that the Authority intends to hold itself bound by the Directive or Regulations, save by the provisions applicable to services coming within the scope of Annex XIV of the Directive / Schedule 3 of the Regulations.