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## **Provision of a Third Party Assessor of Threat Image Projection (TIP) Image Libraries and Collation of TIP Data**

Civil Aviation Authority

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)**

Civil Aviation Authority

Aviation House, Beehive Ring Road

Crawley

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#### **Contact**

Eva Berlin and Scott Taggart

#### **Email(s)**

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

**General address of the contracting authority/entity**

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/>

**Address of the buyer profile**

<https://www.caa.co.uk/home/>

**Further information**

Further information can be obtained from the above mentioned contact point(s)

**Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from**

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

**Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to**

The above-mentioned contact point(s)

## **I.2) Type of the contracting authority**

Other type

Aviation Regulator

## **I.3) Main activity**

Other activity

Aviation Regulator

## **I.4) Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities/entities**

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities:

No

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## **Section II: Object of the contract**

### **II.1) Description**

#### **II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority**

Provision of a Third Party Assessor of Threat Image Projection (TIP) Image Libraries and Collation of TIP Data

#### **II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Services

Service category No 26: Other services

#### **Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

UNITED KINGDOM

#### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

System quality assurance assessment and review services. Under the National Aviation Security Programme (NASP), the UK has regulated the use of Threat Image Projection (TIP), and this will shortly become mandatory for the screening of cabin baggage and items carried at all airport passenger and staff checkpoints. Historically the image libraries have been centrally provided by the Department for Transport (DfT), however given the increasing range of security screening equipment available, moving forward the Civil Aviation Authority will be seeking to assess and approve libraries created by third party suppliers, including by the equipment manufacturers themselves, using a set of standardised physical threat articles. After initial approval, image libraries must have 10% of their images updated and re-approved annually. There are currently 8 libraries which have already been approved and would require annual re-approval. The CAA is accordingly looking to identify and contract with an independent third party (ie one who is not involved in the production of the libraries) to assess the content and suitability of new or amended image libraries against agreed criteria, and provide advice and recommendations as to their approval or otherwise. The supplier would be required to manage the physical threat item library and to undertake assessment of both initial and annual updates of image libraries. Additionally, the contractor would receive and collate monthly TIP data generated, which would be provided direct by around 50 UK airports, conduct initial analysis of the data received, and provide monthly reports to the CAA

based on this data . It is important both for the ongoing resource and functionality of the capability, and also its independence, that the assessment is carried out by a third party appointed by the CAA on behalf of the Department for Transport (DfT). Under this arrangement, CAA will maintain oversight of the third party provider on a continuous basis. In the future the use of TIP may be extended to other areas of aviation security screening, such as hold baggage, cargo and in-flight supplies, each of which would require initial and subsequent re-approval of TIP libraries. For library approvals it is envisaged the contractor would levy a fee direct from the applicant for each application assessed, based on a scale of charges to be agreed with the CAA. The cost of collating and analysing TIP data would be charged direct to the CAA.

#### **II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 72225000 - System quality assurance assessment and review services

#### **II.1.7) Information about subcontracting**

The tenderer has to indicate in the tender any share of the contract it may intend to subcontract to third parties and any proposed subcontractor, as well as the subject-matter of the subcontracts for which they are proposed

#### **II.1.8) Lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

#### **II.1.9) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract**

#### **II.2.1) Total quantity or scope**

It is anticipated that the Contract will be awarded for an initial period of 2 years, subject to an annual review, from the Commencement Date (“the initial Contract Term”). The contract may be extended on the same terms and conditions at CAA’s option for a further period or periods of 12 months not exceeding 5 years in total; The maximum duration of the Contract Term will therefore be 7 years from the Commencement Date. The contract value reflects the costs which will be chargeable to the CAA only, please note this does not include library assessments, the supplier would levy a fee direct from the applicant for each application assessed, based on a scale of charges to be agreed with the CAA.

Estimated value excluding VAT:

£100,000

## **II.2.2) Information about options**

Options: No

## **II.2.3) Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: Yes

Number of possible renewals: Range: between 1 and 5

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# **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

## **III.1) Conditions relating to the contract**

### **III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required**

See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

### **III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them**

See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

### **III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded**

See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

### **III.1.4) Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject, in particular with regard to security of supply and security of information**

See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

## **III.2) Conditions for participation**

### **III.2.1) Personal situation**

**Criteria regarding the personal situation of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**Criteria regarding the personal situation of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection) including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**III.2.2) Economic and financial ability**

**Criteria regarding the economic and financial standing of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**III.2.3) Technical and/or professional capacity**

**Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of economic operators (that may lead to their exclusion)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**Criteria regarding the technical and/or professional ability of subcontractors (that may lead to their rejection)**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts**

**III.3.1) Information about a particular profession**

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: No

**III.3.2) Staff responsible for the execution of the service**

Legal persons should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service: Yes

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**Section IV: Procedure**

**IV.1) Type of procedure**

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Restricted

**IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate**

Envisaged number of operators: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: See relevant documentation published alongside this opportunity.

**IV.2) Award criteria**

**IV.2.1) Award criteria**

the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document

**IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: no

**IV.3) Administrative information**

**IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

Contract Ref: 3290

**IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**

**Prior information notice**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-008060](#) of 20 March 2023

**Other previous publications**

no

**IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

20 September 2023 - 12:00pm

**IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up**

English

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## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about European Union funds**

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

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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Crawley:-System-quality-assurance-assessment-and-review-services./D9ZWBBJQ78>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/D9ZWBBJQ78>

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

#### **VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures**

Civil Aviation Authority

Crawley

RH6 0YR

#### **Country**

United Kingdom