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Planning

GSCIP Graph-Style Database

Department for Business and Trade

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Business and Trade

London

Email

commercialbpo@businessandtrade.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-business-and-trade>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

GSCIP Graph-Style Database

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72300000 - Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This Notice signals DBT's intention to go to market to replace the current contract for the Global Supply Chains Intelligence Programme (GSCIP) Knowledge Graph which expires in March 2025 and is for Market Engagement purposes only. This notice contains a link to a confidential survey that DBT will use to gather information on your offerings. Your responses will help inform our specification of requirements.

DBT leads a cross-government programme that combines both government (HMG), private sector and open-source data sets to build global supply chain understanding. At the heart of this programme is a ring-fenced graph style database stored in our own

secure Virtual Private Cloud (VPC).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48600000 - Database and operating software package

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

GSCIP is a project led by DBT and currently supported by six other departments which has combined HMG, private sector and open-source data to build detailed global supply chain maps at commodity and company level using a knowledge graph, and graph data analysis and visualisation tools.

Ahead of the next phase, we are exploring options and developing requirements for a potential partner to help us deliver a 'No Code' web application XL graph-style database for a further three years from April 2025. The data, software, and tool will be deployed onto our IT infrastructure and/or onto a commercial VPC server that we control.

To aid DBT in developing the specification we are interested in furthering our understanding of the market offering landscape. Specifically, we want to hear from suppliers who can help us to deliver the required XL graph-style database and accompanying support services.

For the initial stage of our engagement, we would be grateful if you could take the time to complete this online survey:

https://ditresearch.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_exk6FisM2u8xaBg Please submit your completed survey response by Friday 16th August.

Following a review of the responses to this Notice, DBT may arrange a formal engagement with all respondents to discuss the findings. We anticipate that this may take place in mid-September and we will confirm in due course.

It is anticipated that the tender will take place this autumn with the contract being awarded at the beginning of January 2025 with the contract commencement in April 2025.

Should we proceed to market we will use the Crown Commercial Service Spark DPS to carry out the tender. Only suppliers who are registered on the Spark DPS will be able to participate, therefore if you are interested in this potential opportunity, we recommend registration on the DPS as soon as possible. Details can be found at www.crowncommercial.gov.uk/agreements/RM6094

II.2.14) Additional information

Any queries relating to registering on the Spark DPS should be directed to the Crown Commercial Service, as DBT does not have any control over their process or requirements.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

10 October 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes