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## **AFBI – THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SOLID MEDIA FOR CULTURE OF MYCOBACTERIUM BOVIS**

Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute

F02: Contract notice

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

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute

AFBI Stormont, 12 Stoney Road

BELFAST

BT4 3SD

#### **Contact**

SSDAdmin.CPDfinance-ni.gov.uk

#### **Email**

[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**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://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

AFBI – THE SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF SOLID MEDIA FOR CULTURE OF MYCOBACTERIUM BOVIS

Reference number

4916909

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

- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents

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

Supplies

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

The contract is for the supply and delivery of Lowenstein Jensen and Stonebrinks media slopes for the isolation of Mycobacterium bovis. It is estimated that AFBI will require the supply of a minimum of 10,000 Lowenstein Jensen and 10,000 Stonebrinks media slopes in the first year and subsequently in each year thereafter.

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

Value excluding VAT: £226,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 33696400 - Isotopic reagents
- 33793000 - Laboratory glassware
- 33698100 - Microbiological cultures

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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supply of a minimum of 10,000 Lowenstein Jensen and 10,000 Stonebrinks media slopes in the first year and subsequently in each year thereafter.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Value excluding VAT: £226,000

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

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further 3 periods of up to 12 months each.

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

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a further 3 periods of up to 12 months each.

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

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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

Date

27 September 2023

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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: 26 December 2023

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

Date

27 September 2023

Local time

3:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Contractors not delivering on contract requirements. is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If.. a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified.. time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract. performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and the. their place on the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being. excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the. Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the Notice..

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

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

: The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Any challenges are dealt with by the High Court Commercial Division to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulations

UK

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).. and. where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of.. contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on on the award decision

