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Tender

UKEF General Aerospace Legal Panel - GALP

Department for International Trade

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02f468

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for International Trade

Old Admiralty Building

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Email

galp@trade.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-export-finance>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://uktrade.app.jaggaer.com/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://uktrade.app.jaggaer.com/>

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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

UKEF General Aerospace Legal Panel - GALP

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

UK Export Finance (the “Customer”), has a requirement for the provision of “General Aerospace Legal Panel”. The Secretary of State for the Department for International Trade (DIT) is the contracting authority responsible for the delivery of this requirement on behalf of the Customer.

The full specification is provided with the contract documents (GALP ITT Schedule 07) but in summary UKEF intends to put in place a panel for the provision of services of external legal counsel to advise in relation to the financial support that UKEF provides to the aerospace sector.

The contract shall be for a period of 48 months. The requirement has an estimated total value of £40,000,000 (ex-VAT) and this value includes any available contract option(s). Bidders will be expected to demonstrate their tenders will continue to deliver value for money to the Customer for throughout the period of the contract.

DIT has conducted a Cyber Risk Assessment to identify the level of cyber risk to this requirement. It has been identified that Cyber Essentials or equivalent is required.

DIT is using e-tendering for this procurement which means this Invitation To Tender (ITT) and the forms for submitting a response are only available in electronic form which can be accessed via your web browser at: <https://uktrade.app.jaggaer.com/>. Bidders should read all the instructions and documents thoroughly and follow the defined processes to comply with our requirements.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £40,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79130000 - Legal documentation and certification services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

In general terms, advice will relate to transactions for the financing of:

— airbus aircraft where legal counsel is not otherwise procured from a separate panel established jointly by UKEF and the French and German Export Credit Agencies;

— aircraft produced by other manufacturers (e.g., Boeing); and

— aircraft engines and other aerospace assets and services.

Including restructuring and post-issue work relating to such transactions.

Key specialisms are likely to include the following:

— aviation finance (including the financing of Airbus and Boeing commercial jets, Roll-Royce (and other) aircraft engines and other aerospace assets and exports);

— Export Credit Agency (ECA) financing;

— capital markets, derivative and hedging;

— sanctions and financial regulation;

- Islamic finance;
- international law and UKEF's statutory framework as they relate aircraft financing;
- advice on all stages of export finance transactions;
- remedial/financial distress events;
- dispute resolution;
- advice on the domestic law of different jurisdictions in the context of UKEF support for the aerospace sector and/or actual or potential disputes.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

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

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

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 8

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

9 December 2021

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

9 December 2021

Local time

3:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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