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Tender

Technical Architecture Consultancy Services

National Employment Savings Trust (NEST)

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0402ce

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

National Employment Savings Trust (NEST)

10 South Colonnade 1st floor

London

E14 4PU

Email

Procurement@nestcorporation.org.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.nestpensions.org.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://nesttenders.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://nesttenders.bravosolution.co.uk>

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

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Technical Architecture Consultancy Services

Reference number

TEN-2324-010

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Nest wishes to establish a single supplier Framework Agreement which will provide Nest with access to technical consultancy support for the implementation and delivery of changes to the Nest scheme administration and related services.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £624,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Nest is searching for a supplier to enter into a Framework Agreement for technical consultancy support for the implementation and delivery of changes to the Nest scheme administration and related services.

The scheme administration services allow Employers to enrol their workers into the nest pension scheme and then make contributions to their accounts. Nest has been operational since 2012 and has already enrolled over 12 million members.

Nest has recently contracted with a scheme administration provider to transform the services which will include a significant change to the way the services are delivered and the underlying technical platform. This will enable Nest and the Scheme Administrator to better serve our customers.

Nest expects to select an expert resource that will have experience across Technical Architecture, Service Operation and DevSecOps methodologies and tools in a Cloud Based environment. It is Nest's preference that that majority of the services are delivered by a single resource and supported by a wider team for more specific service outputs.

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: £624,000

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: Yes

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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 a single operator

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

23 October 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

23 October 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Nest does not bind itself to accept any tender and is not liable for any costs incurred by those expressing an interest or tendering for this opportunity.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The contracting authority will operate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers to provide time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

Unsuccessful tenderers shall be notified by the contracting authority as soon as possible after the decision is made as to the reasons why they were unsuccessful.

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide that aggrieved parties who have been harmed, or are at risk of harm, by breach of the rules are to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland)