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#### **Planning**

# **IT Security Services**

Development Bank of Wales

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

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### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

## Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.developmentbank.wales

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0555

# 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

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

IT Security Services

Reference number

DBW00105.00

### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72222300 - Information technology services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

We are inviting suppliers to express an interest in the notice and provide an overview either face to face in our Cardiff office or via Teams on how the organisation will be able to support our requirements.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

# II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

# II.2) Description

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

• 72222300 - Information technology services

# II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

#### • UK - United Kingdom

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

#### Introduction

The Development Bank of Wales currently operate a security operation model that is split across multiple providers and technologies. To help reduce the complexity of this approach and improve our ability to effectively monitor, respond to, and mitigate security threats, the Banc are investigating the feasibility of implementing a unified Microsoft security operations platform, the day-to-day management of which would be supported by a single provider. This transition will not only streamline our processes and technology, but also increase the efficiency of our incident response efforts and reduce the potential for gaps in our security posture caused by the fragmentation of tools and services.

Currently, our Azure services are handled by Service Provider A, which focuses on optimising our cloud infrastructure. Service Provider B is responsible for managing our Microsoft 365 environment and on-premises infrastructure, ensuring that both are configured and maintained to meet our operational needs. Additionally, our managed detection and response (MDR) services are provided by Service Provider C, which utilises their own proprietary platform to deliver continuous monitoring, threat detection, and incident response across our IT estate.

The Banc is investigating replacing Service Provider C with a new Service Provider that will take over the managed detection and response function, utilising the Microsoft unified security platform. They will be responsible for the implementation, configuration and ongoing management of the platform, and providing proactive advice and recommendations to improve the security of our Microsoft estate, drawing on Microsoft's insights, but will not be responsible for any configuration outside of the security platform. The new provider will collaborate closely with Service Providers A and B to align security practices ensuring that our entire IT environment remains protected against emerging threats.

## II.2.14) Additional information

At this stage we are asking suppliers to express and interest and email <a href="mailto:leanne.millard@developmentbank.wale">leanne.millard@developmentbank.wale</a>s. You will be required to attend either a face to face meeting or a teams call to demonstrate how your organisation can support our requirements.

Please note these dates are subject to change we anticipate the following dates for meetings:

24th Sept

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25th	Sep

1st Oct

2nd Oct

3rd Oct

# II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

25 November 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: No

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

Please refer to scope in additional documents

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search Switch.aspx?ID=144208.

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