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Tender

Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) protection service

BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation)

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Scope

Reference

PROC/2024/72

Description

The requirement for a Distributed Denial of Service (DDoS) protection service sits within the BBC Technology and Media Operations group, and specifically the Digital Distribution team.

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Digital Distribution has had a Network DDoS Protection service in place since 2016 to protect the BBC's Internet Network. The purpose of this is to provide a malicious traffic 'scrubbing' facility in the event of a volumetric packet-based or protocol-based traffic attack targeting the services on the network and exhausting circuit or server capacity. It forms part of a suite of protection services and techniques required to continually protect the BBC's Internet edge from attack.

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The BBC's Internet Network carries all the BBC's audience facing traffic and CDN origin traffic. Additionally, it provides transit for the corporate network. The availability of this network and services delivered across it are crucial in maintaining the BBC's online presence for critical services such as www.bbc.co.uk and BBC iPlayer.

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The current DDoS protection service has been provided by the incumbent supplier since 2019. The BBC is now entering a tender process to procure this service from December 2025 and ensure continued network DDoS protection.

Total value (estimated)

- £2,300,000 excluding VAT
- £2,760,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 29 September 2025 to 28 September 2028
- Possible extension to 28 September 2030
- 5 years

Description of possible extension:

Initial contract is for three years with an option to extend for a further two years.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72222300 - Information technology services
- 72315000 - Data network management and support services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

Full details can be found in the Invitation to Tender documentation.

Technical ability conditions of participation

Full details can be found in the Invitation to Tender documentation.

Submission

Enquiry deadline

16 June 2025, 2:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

23 June 2025, 2:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

Response deadline 23/06/25 14:00 noon UK time.

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In order to take part in this tender, please take the following steps:

1 - Register your company on the Jaggaer eSourcing portal (this is only required once):

1.1 Go to <https://bbc.bravosolution.co.uk>

1.2 - Click the link on the login page to register.

1.3 Accept the terms and conditions and click 'Continue'.

1.4 - Enter your correct business and user details.

1.5 - Note the username you chose and click 'Save' when complete.

1.6 - You will shortly receive an email with your temporary password.

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2 - Express an interest in the tender:

2.1 - Login to the portal with the username/password.

2.2 - Click the 'PQQs Open to all Suppliers' link.

2.3 - Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content.

2.4 - Click the 'Express Interest' button at the top of the page. This will move the PQQ into your 'My PQQs page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only).

2.5 - You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the 'PQQ Details' box.

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3. Responding to the tender:

3.1 - Click 'My Response' under PQQ Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining).

3.2 - All RFI documentation can be found within the eTendering portal.

3.3 - Note the deadline for completion, and then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the PQQ.

3.4 You must then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance, please consult the online help, or contact the Jaggaer eSourcing help desk.

* * All questions relating to this RFI should be submitted via the BBC's eSourcing portal at <https://bbc.bravosolution.co.uk> * *

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

6 August 2025

Award criteria

Name	Type	Weighting
Quality	Quality	60%
Price	Price	40%

Other information

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

Single stage process, with:

1. Initial submission of tender
2. Clarifications
3. Presentations
4. Best and final offer

Contracting authority

BBC (British Broadcasting Corporation)

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Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government