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## **Trichinella Testing of Wild Boar**

Food Standards Agency

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Food Standards Agency

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London

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#### **Contact**

FSA Commercial

#### **Email**

[fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk](mailto:fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://health-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Health

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**Section II: Object**

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

### **II.1.1) Title**

Trichinella Testing of Wild Boar

Reference number

C301421

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

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

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

Services

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

The Food Standards Agency is looking to appoint a supplier to provide Trichinella Testing of Wild Boar on a 5 year contract term.

The Agency requires the Supplier to provide a fully managed, high quality service for the provision of Trichinella testing services as defined in relevant European and UK legislation and further described in the Legal Framework for Trichinella (Appendix B) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) (Appendix C) for the period 1 December, 2024 to 30 November, 2029.

The Supplier shall be responsible for maintaining a database of feral wild boar hunters and sourcing and distributing trichinella testing kits to the hunters.

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

Value excluding VAT: £130,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

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

The Food Standards Agency is looking to appoint a supplier to provide Trichinella Testing of Wild Boar on a 5 year contract term.

This is an Open Procurement ran via our e-procurement system, Atamis.

Contact email address for any queries with accessing the system is:

[fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk](mailto:fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk).

All correspondence relating to the procurement and any clarifications must be made through Atamis.

#### **THE SPECIFICATION**

The Agency requires the Supplier to provide a fully managed, high quality service for the provision of Trichinella testing services as defined in relevant European and UK legislation and further described in the Legal Framework for Trichinella (Appendix B) and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) (Appendix C) for the period 1 December, 2024 to 30 November, 2029.

The Supplier shall be responsible for maintaining a database of feral wild boar hunters and sourcing and distributing trichinella testing kits to the hunters.

The Supplier must ensure:

- Samples from feral wild boars should be trimmed to 10 – 11.5g and pooled to a maximum of 100g per test
- Staff are trained and competent in testing for trichinella using the digestion method as detailed in Appendix C
- There are sufficient trained members of staff to deal with the volumes shown in Appendix A and have a contingency plan should these volumes increase
- Facilities are provided for receipt and storage of samples at all times
- Attendance by a Supplier's Representative at quarterly review meetings and other interim meetings as required by the Agency. These meetings may take place via

videoconference/teleconference where appropriate and at the discretion of the Agency.

- The Supplier must successfully participate in the UK NRL Proficiency Testing Quality Assurance programme
- Invoices are consolidated and produced on a monthly basis in arrears for services delivered in the preceding calendar month.

#### **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: £130,000

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

Start date

1 December 2024

End date

30 November 2029

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

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## **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions

All bidders must complete and pass the Qualification Envelope for their Technical and Commercial Envelope to be assessed.

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Key Performance Indicators included within the Specification.

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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: No

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

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

Date

9 October 2024

#### **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: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

6 September 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Place

Atamis

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

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

Food Standards Agency

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York

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>