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Tender

Legal Governance for Space-Based In-Orbit Servicing and Manufacturing Testbed

Satellite Applications Catapult

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0405fe

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.sa.catpult.org.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA42845

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

www.mytenders.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.mytenders.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

RTO

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Space Sector

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Legal Governance for Space-Based In-Orbit Servicing and Manufacturing Testbed

Reference number

SAC-24-028

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This procurement exercise is to seek legal experts who can support the Satellite Applications Catapult (SAC) to develop a governance framework for a space-based testbed, led by the UK in collaboration with international partners, which aims to advance skills, technology, and regulation relating to applications underpinned by close proximity operations and robotic assembly in space, particularly In-Orbit Servicing, Assembly and Manufacturing (IOSM) applications.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £150,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 73220000 - Development consultancy services
- 73110000 - Research services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Harwell, Oxfordshire.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Start date

1 March 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Up to 1 month until 30/04/2025

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Contract award is contingent upon SAC receiving Phase 2 funding from UKSA under the International Bilateral Fund (IBF). The outcome of the IBF Phase 2 bid process will not be confirmed until January 2024. We are tendering this opportunity in anticipation of a positive outcome which is not guaranteed.

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.1.8) 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

6 November 2023

Local time

8:00am

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

Tender must be valid until: 30 April 2025

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

6 November 2023

Local time

8:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that this procurement is part of a wider bid process. Contract award is contingent upon SAC receiving Phase 2 funding from UKSA under the International Bilateral Fund (IBF). The outcome of the IBF Phase 2 bid process will not be confirmed until January 2024. We are tendering this opportunity in anticipation of a positive outcome which is not guaranteed. Successful bidders for this ITT should submit their proposal on the same basis and will be kept informed of progress.

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https://www.mytenders.co.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>