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Tender

Publication Distribution Service

British Library

F02: Contract notice

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16 November 2022, 5:00pm

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

British Library

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.bipsolutions.com>

Buyer's address

<https://www.bipsolutions.com>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-London:-Storage-and-warehousing-services./X4RH57DVBD>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-title/X4RH57DVBD>

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Recreation, culture and religion

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Publication Distribution Service

Reference number

001847

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 63120000 - Storage and warehousing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The British Library's (BL) Publishing department produces original non-fiction and classic reprinted fiction for audiences around the world. In recent years, BL Publishing has become a significant source of commercial revenue for the Library as well as increasing access and understanding of its wide-ranging collections. It has refocused away from specialist scholarly markets and built a successful reputation as a small independent trade publisher.

This tender is for the provision of a modern storage and distribution service for the BL's publications, with an electronic ordering, invoicing and account management facility, and the supply to the BL of financial information relating to these transactions in a fully downloadable format.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 63121000 - Storage and retrieval services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The Library is seeking a Publications Distribution Solution, which represents best practice and best value for money.

The distributor for BL Publications is expected to be responsible for the following areas:

- Order Receipt and Processing,
- Invoicing and Order Management,
- Customer Service,
- Warehousing and Distribution,
- Credit Control, and,
- Statistics and Reporting.

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: £600,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 x 12 months optional extension available

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

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

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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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

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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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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