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## **BC-10754 Bedfordshire Schools Trust ICT**

Bedfordshire Schools Trust

F02: Contract notice

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

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

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKH25 - Central Bedfordshire

**National registration number**

07546141

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.bestacademies.org.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/placegroup.aspx/Home>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/placegroup.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/placegroup.aspx/Home>

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

BC-10754 Bedfordshire Schools Trust ICT

Reference number

BC-10754

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

The Bedfordshire Schools Trust (BEST) was incorporated in August 2016 following on from a previous organisation called Bedfordshire East Multi-school Trust (BMAT). The Trust now includes three middle deemed secondary schools, six primary schools, one secondary school and three nurseries. Currently ICT support is provided across the Trust through an outsourced provider. It is envisaged that staff members employed by the current provider will be eligible for TUPE. The Successful Bidder will be expected to manage the complete IT lifecycle of the schools from initial advice and installation through to the day-to-day support and management. The services under this contract will comprise of managed ICT support services, ICT equipment and consumables, licenses and broadband. The Trust or the schools may also utilise the new provider for additional sourcing as and when required e.g., for Wi-Fi upgrades.

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

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

NUTS codes

- UKH25 - Central Bedfordshire

### **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.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £5,000,000

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited**

Envisaged minimum number: 5

Maximum number: 8

**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

As per the tendering documentation

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted 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

17 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

#### **IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Royal Court of Justice

Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom