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Planning

Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM)

University of Ulster

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM)

Reference number

project_27270

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM)

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £501,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48420000 - Facilities management software package and software package suite
- 48421000 - Facilities management software package
- 72514000 - Computer facilities management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

Ulster University campuses in Northern Ireland at Belfast, Coleraine, Derry ~ Londonderry and Jordanstown Sports Village (JSV)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Ulster University is undertaking initial market consultation for a Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM) System to support, consolidate and enhance its Estates Services strategy. The existing strategy includes multiple systems that have been developed and implemented over a number of years but do not interface, and the reporting and analytics require transformation.

Whilst the type of contract(s) has yet to be determined, it is anticipated that lots may not apply and the University may award a single contract to an Economic Operator.

The indicative timetable for the main stages of the procurement process is anticipated to be as follows:

- Pre-market engagement - October 2023
- Contract award/mobilisation - March/April 2024
- Contract commencement - August 2024

The purpose of this Prior Information Notice (PIN) and Request for Information (RFI) is to invite potential providers to express an interest and provide information to assist with the procurement and development of the University's Computer Aided Facilities Management (CAFM).

The procurement route, duration and type of contract(s) shall be determined following this preliminary market consultation and engagement with market participants.

It is important to note that this PIN/RFI is not a call for competition, a pre-qualification questionnaire, part of any pre-qualification/selection process or a current tender opportunity. Potential providers will need to express an interest in any future tender opportunity once a Contract Notice is published.

II.2.14) Additional information

Whilst the contract duration is yet to be determined, the anticipated contract period may be for an initial 5-year contract period with the option to extend for any periods up to and including 60 months.

The estimated total value stated above in Section II.1.5 above includes the initial 5 year contract period and the option to extend the contract for any periods up to and including 60 months.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

18 December 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that the Request for Information (RFI) questionnaire for this opportunity will be accessible on the eSourcing NI platform. This RFI questionnaire also contains further information on the opportunity which can be accessed on the following portal website: <https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>.

This RFI questionnaire should be completed by interested providers and submitted via eSourcing NI as directed no later than 10 November 2023.

The initial market consultation may take the form of questionnaires, demonstrations and discussions with RFI respondents.

The information contained within this notice may be subject to change within the final Contract Notice published in relation to this opportunity.

The University will, once the Contract Notice and procurement documents have been published, welcome interest from all capable potential providers. However, interested parties are advised that they must ultimately satisfy the minimum requirements of the initial selection criteria that will be set out in the procurement documents, in order to be considered for shortlisting to proceed to the next stage, Invitation to Tender (ITT) award criteria of the procurement process.