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Tender

Decarbonising the Supply Chain: Inbound Tour Operator (North America)

VisitScotland

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-040d4a

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

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Main address

<http://www.visitscotland.org>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00118

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.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Marketing/Tourism

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Decarbonising the Supply Chain: Inbound Tour Operator (North America)

Reference number

VSEH23020

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 63500000 - Travel agency, tour operator and tourist assistance services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

VisitScotland, supported by its appointed Sustainable Tourism Specialist, is seeking to work with an Inbound Tour Operator (North America) to develop product, assist in programme development, marketing & promotional activity with shared learnings, to support decarbonisation of the supply chain in Scotland.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

VisitScotland, supported by its appointed Sustainable Tourism Specialist, is seeking to work with an Inbound Tour Operator (North America) to develop product, assist in programme development, marketing & promotional activity with shared learnings, to support decarbonisation of the supply chain in Scotland.

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

Duration in months

12

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 x 12 months

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

Year 2 and Year 3 extensions will be dependent on budget and learnings and will look to secure additional tour operator(s) focusing on additional campaigns in North America along with other dedicated market specific campaigns (e.g. German market).

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

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

20 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

Date

20 November 2023

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Additional information is provided in the attached documents

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=747999.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

17 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom