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Planning

Bus Franchising Network and Timetable Design Software (TfW)

Transport for Wales

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Transport for Wales

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKL - Wales

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://tfw.wales>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Transport

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Bus Franchising Network and Timetable Design Software (TfW)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48300000 - Document creation, drawing, imaging, scheduling and productivity software package

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

TfW has an upcoming opportunity for the provision of software to support the design and timetable production for TfW bus functions. Details of the current scope of services can be found in the description section below.

The purpose of this PIN notice is to alert the market to the upcoming opportunity and seek feedback on the current market capabilities in order to inform our procurement approach

and scope.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48332000 - Scheduling software package
- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72210000 - Programming services of packaged software products
- 72212000 - Programming services of application software
- 72212332 - Scheduling software development services
- 48800000 - Information systems and servers
- 48333000 - Contact management software package
- 48813000 - Passenger information system
- 48813200 - Real-time passenger information system

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Transport for Wales (Trafnidiaeth Cymru) (TfW) exists to drive forward the Welsh Government's vision of a high quality, safe, integrated, affordable and accessible transport network of which the people of Wales are proud.

We are potentially seeking a technology partner to assist with the bus network development and customer information teams within TfW from design stage through to data generation for downstream systems.

Our core objectives are to:

- Standardise the scheduling/ timetabling system provision across TfW;
- Ensure a primary system for bus is available for core TfW processes: network design, engagement, customer information, procurement, contract management, network performance, ticketing and revenue analysis and;
- Improve workflows of the TfW teams to generate schedules for our programmes including Traws, Traveline Cymru, franchising, realtime systems and an upcoming multimodal digital customer system.

We intend to undertake pre-market engagement with this PIN with the structure to be confirmed at a later date and Supplier will be given the full details. The structure can be via Meet the Buyer event, one-to-one sessions or written feedback request and will be open to all Suppliers that register their interest via email on SupplyChain@tfw.wales.

Please note that this is only an early pre-market engagement, and no quotations or proposals will be accepted or reviewed at this stage. Notes and information from this engagement will be shared as part of the Tender Documentation pack when this opportunity is actually tendered later this year.

The current anticipated timetable for the procurement is listed below:

- Issue of Prior Information notice and pre-market engagement – September/October 2024
- Issue of ITT – October 2024
- Tender Deadline – November/December 2024
- Contract Award – February 2025
- Contract Start Date - April 2025

TfW is not bound by the above dates, and they may be subject to change.

The aim of our PIN is to develop our workflow requirements and understand the market capability to supply core functionality at key points in the network development and customer information journey, including post-award activities in network performance and change management.

This may include:

- Design process and information available to users,
- Mapping and timetable capability for both fixed and demand responsive services,
- Scheduling options for diesel and alternative power vehicles,
- Understand the user experience and file management process,
- Utilising data to provide accurate schedules
- Reporting capabilities
- Data management – import and export functionality, including the publication of customer facing datasets
- Scope to manage contract information and monitor performance of services

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

7 April 2025

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

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=144771.

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