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## **DAERA - AFBI – Supply and Delivery of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) Rapid Test Kits**

Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute

Stoney Road

BELFAST

BT4 3SD

#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

DAERA - AFBI – Supply and Delivery of Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) Rapid Test Kits

Reference number

4478940

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

- 33696500 - Laboratory reagents

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

Supplies

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

The Agri-food and Biosciences Institute (AFBI) requires a Contractor to supply and deliver Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathy (TSE) rapid test kits that are of a test format currently approved by the European Commission in accordance with Regulation (EC) 999/2001 for the prevention, control and eradication of certain transmissible spongiform encephalopathies as a result of its evaluation procedures and set out in Annex 10, Chapter C, point 4, as last replaced by Commission Regulation (EC) No 2020/1593. The Contractor will supply, deliver and maintain any equipment required to conduct the TSE rapid test for the period of the Contract, as well as providing technical support for the test method and equipment. Any equipment identified by the Contractor that is deemed necessary for the running of the test kits will remain the property of the Contractor and it will be the responsibility of the Contractor to remove the said equipment at the end of the Contract.

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

Value excluding VAT: £225,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 33124000 - Diagnostics and radiodiagnostic devices and supplies
- 33124100 - Diagnostic devices
- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)
- 38500000 - Checking and testing apparatus
- 38900000 - Miscellaneous evaluation or testing instruments

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

**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: £225,000

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

Duration in months

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**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.1.3) 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**

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**

Date

13 December 2022

Local time

3:00pm

#### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 13 March 2023

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

13 December 2022

Local time

3:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Contractors not delivering on contract requirements. is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and their place on the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of unsatisfactory Performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of twelve months from the date of issue of the Notice.

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

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

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures

UK

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).. and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award.. of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the.. unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

