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Tender

Covid-19 National Testing Programme: Genomics Quality and Innovation Framework Agreement

Secretary of State for Health and Social Care acting as part of the Crown through UK Health Security Agency

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<http://health.atamis.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<http://health.atamis.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to 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

<http://health.atamis.co.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Health

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Covid-19 National Testing Programme: Genomics Quality and Innovation Framework Agreement

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73111000 - Research laboratory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

UKHSA seeks to establish a Quality and Innovation Framework agreement for pathogen genomics projects. The Framework will provide research and diagnostic laboratories the opportunity to set out the genomic sequencing and data analysis services that they are able to offer to the UKHSA SARS-COV-2 and pathogen genomics programme.

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)

- 73111000 - Research laboratory services
- 71900000 - Laboratory services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI32 - Westminster

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

UKHSA seeks to establish a Quality and Innovation Framework agreement for pathogen genomics projects. The Framework is to be established under Regulation 14 of the Public Contract Regulations 2015. Although this procurement is exempt under Regulation 14, UKHSA will run the procurement process equivalent to the Open Procedure.

The Framework seeks to provide research and diagnostic laboratories the opportunity to assist the Authority through work packages in optimising the delivery of Pathogen Genomics activity across its lab networks and supporting activities. The generic requirements to be covered under the framework will include but are not limited to research and development, experimentation, and study for the examination of specimens/samples/sample extracts and the development of methods for pathogen genomic sequencing and data analysis.

Interested providers shall have suitable prior experience which includes:

- pathogen sample-to-result sequencing
- data analysis for pathogens
- whole genome sequencing
- sequencing data analysis and pipeline development.

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

Start date

1 February 2022

End date

31 January 2023

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: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement will have two optional extensions of one year each as follows:

01/02/2023 - 31/01/2024

01/02/2024 - 31/01/2025

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

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

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 several operators

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

18 January 2022

Local time

10:00am

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

18 January 2022

Local time

10:00am

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

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