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Tender

bpha Employers Agent Framework

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

National registration number

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.bpha.org.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/45191>

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

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=53538&B=ECHELON

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=53538&B=ECHELON

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

Housing and community amenities

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

bpha Employers Agent Framework

Reference number

ECH1204

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71500000 - Construction-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

bpha is seeking to Tender from suitably skilled and experienced suppliers for the provision of Employers Agent services under this six-year framework.

This framework seeks to offer the benefits of best practice in contract delivery and collaborative working practices for bpha and other framework users. The framework is to operate across the geographical area of bpha's operating area and will be open to all UK public sector bodies to access via a Joining Agreement between bpha, the service provider and Pretium Frameworks Ltd, who bpha has appointed to administer the framework for external users on its behalf. Access to the framework will be subject to approval by bpha.

Full details of the scope and requirements of the framework and the procurement process, including how to Tender are included within the procurement and Tender documents.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £6,600,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 71500000 - Construction-related services
- 71520000 - Construction supervision services
- 71521000 - Construction-site supervision services
- 71540000 - Construction management services
- 71541000 - Construction project management services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire
- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The estimated total value of the Framework is circa £6.6 million. Of this, bpha anticipate expenditure of circa £5.15 million with the remainder estimated from external users.

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: £6,600,000

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

Duration in months

72

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

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

As set out in the procurement and tender documents.

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As set out in the procurement and tender 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

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 5

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework duration for a total of 6 years (4 years, plus potential 2-year extension). Justification for this is that the nature of the identified projects in bpha's development programme often have long lead in periods and may involve planning. Therefore, the Contracting Authority may extend the framework for 2 years at their discretion.

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

14 December 2022

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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

14 December 2022

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to cancel the procurement and not to proceed with the Framework at any stage of the procurement process.

The Contracting Authority also reserves the right not to award the Framework.

Neither the Contracting Authority nor any person on whose behalf of whom this procurement is undertaken is to be liable for any costs incurred by those expressing and interest or Tendering for this Framework.

The Contracting Authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are Small or Medium Enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

The framework is to operate across England and will be open to all UK public sector bodies to access via a Joining Agreement between bpha, the supplier and Pretium Frameworks Ltd, who bpha has appointed to administer the framework on its behalf. The framework will comprise of 1 lot.

The framework will be open to any "Authorised User", which are defined as follows:

(i) any entity within the same group of companies as the Contracting Authority from time to time (a "the Group Member")

(ii) any entity or joint venture company that the Contracting Authority or any other Group Member holds an interest in from time to time (a "the JV")

(iii) any Social Housing Provider in the United Kingdom (excluding the Contracting Authority, the Group Members and the JVs);

(vi) any supply chain member of any Social Housing Provider in the United Kingdom, including direct labour organisations and suppliers (excluding the Contracting Authority, the Group Members and the JVs);

(v) any national, regional or local health authority in the United Kingdom including, without limitation, any NHS the Trust, and any organisation providing a service to these bodies

(vi) any local or regional authority in the United Kingdom (including any arm's length organisation

or service provider working on their behalf) delivering any public or private sector construction related projects including, without limitation, housing, education, highways and infrastructure work; and

(vii) any service provider delivering services to any other Government Agency in the United Kingdom including, without limitation, the Ministry of Defence and the Highways Agency

and, in the case of the organisations listed in limbs (iii) to (vii) above, who has entered into an Access Agreement with the Contracting Authority.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

High Court of England and Wales

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will observe a 10-day stand still period following the award of the

Framework and conduct itself in respect of any appeals in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Cabinet Office

70 Whitehall

London

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Country

United Kingdom