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Tender

Global Talent Visa - Digital Technology Endorsing Body Services

Home Office

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Home Office

2 Marsham Street

London

SW1P4DF

Email

GTVDigitalEB@homeoffice.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.gov.uk/home-office

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://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html

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

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Global Talent Visa - Digital Technology Endorsing Body Services

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 75110000 - General public services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Home Office intends to procure an Endorsing Body Service for persons applying through the Digital Technology route of the Global Talent Visa to assess their credibility for set criteria.

The Global Talent visa was introduced in February 2020 to replace the Tier 1 (Exceptional Talent) visa and make the process smoother, efficient, and more attractive for exceptionally talented people to live and work in the UK.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £11,680,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72221000 Business analysis consultancy services
- 72222000 Information systems or technology strategic review and planning services

- 72222300 Information technology services
- 72223000 Information technology requirements review services
- 75110000 General public services
- 75112000 Administrative services for business operations
- 75130000 Supporting services for the government
- 75131000 Government services
- 79132000 Certification services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Invitation to Tender for Global Talent Visa Digital Technology Endorsing Body Services

The Secretary of State for the Home Department as part of the Crown, acting through UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) (the "Home Office"), is procuring an Endorsing Body Service for the Digital Technology pathway of the Global Talent visa.

The Global Talent visa is a key enabler of immigration policy. It was introduced in February 2020 to replace the Tier 1 (Exceptional Talent) visa and make the process smoother, efficient, and more attractive for exceptionally talented people to live and work in the UK.

To qualify under the Global Talent visa category, most applicants (excluding those that have prestigious prizes) need to be endorsed by a relevant endorsing body. The endorsing body for the Digital Technology pathway is responsible for assessing whether an individual is internationally recognised as, or has demonstrated the potential to become, a leader in digital technology.

Due to the nature of the service, it is necessary for the endorsing body for the Digital Technology pathway to be a leading expert in the Digital Technology sector.

Currently around 3,150 customers apply for endorsement in the digital and technology field per annum from across the UK and the rest of the world.

The value of the contract, over the core contract period plus any extensions, is expected to be in the range of £5.7m - £15.4m, with an estimated contract value of £11.68m. As this is a volume-led contract, the final value is anticipated to fall within this range but could be lower depending on actual volumes.

Additional information on the visa can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/global-talent-digital-technology

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: £11,680,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Initial contact term is 3 years with the option to extend for up to two terms of 12 months each.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.12) Information about electronic catalogues

Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2024/S 000-003391</u>

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

Date

12 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

8 October 2024

Local time

10:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

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

In order to get access to the Invitation to Tender (ITT) pack and bidding a Tender for the provision of the Global Talent Digital Technology Endorsing Body Service, the Bidders are required to request access to the NDA as a pre-requisite.

The ITT will be managed electronically via the Home Office's eSourcing Portal (JAGGAER). To participate in this procurement, participants must first be registered on the eSourcing Portal.

If you have not yet registered on the eSourcing Portal, this can be done online at https://homeoffice.app.jaggaer.com by following the link 'To register click here'. Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so.

Once you have registered on the eSourcing Portal, a registered user can request access to the NDA by emailing GTVDigitalEB@homeoffice.gov.uk.

Your email must clearly state the exact name that you used to register on Jaggaer. Once enabled by the Procurement Team, you should receive a link to the NDA from Jaggaer.

Once you have submitted an NDA you will be given access to the eSourcing Portal where you can respond to the tender.

We will endeavour to process completed NDAs and allow access to the ITT within three working days.

For technical assistance on use of the eSourcing Portal please contact the JAGGAER

Supplier Helpdesk at customersupport@jaggaer.com or 0800 069 8630 (0800 - 1800hrs).

Deadline to submit response to the tender is 12:00 BST on 12 November 2024.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Secretary of State for the Home Department

London

Country

United Kingdom