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ESCC - HP - SEGfL Software Framework

East Sussex County Council

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

East Sussex County Council

Lewes

Email

procurement@eastsussex.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ22 - East Sussex CC

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.eastsussex.gov.uk>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ESCC - HP - SEGfL Software Framework

Reference number

DN2674

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Council / SEGfL are seeking a service provider for a software framework that will offer a range of software solutions to the users of the framework via an online portal.

The intended commencement date for the framework is 2nd January 2025, for a period of 3+1 years.

The framework will be promoted by SEGfL as a founding member of the National Educational Network (NEN) to over 32,000 educational establishments in the UK.

The list of titles is not yet fully determined and will expand over the term of this arrangement. It will be drawn from all categories of software used in educational establishments, local authorities, and VCSE / 3rd sector organisations. This will include, but not be limited to:

- Microsoft and other application licensing;
- Firewall, Anti-virus and other security software;
- Commercial and educational filtering products and licenses;
- Educational software; and
- Other commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) software;

Related services for software purchased under the framework, or software already deployed by a user of the framework will also be made available under this software framework including but not limited to the following:

- Support and maintenance;
- Renewals of existing software subscriptions;
- Software asset management;

Hardware and appliances that are required to fully utilise the software will also be made available under this software framework, but only insofar that they are integral to the solution being sought.

The main objectives of the framework are:

- For users of the software framework to benefit from preferential discounting and pricing that they would otherwise be unlikely able to achieve individually, via the aggregated spend on software by users of the framework;
- To provide users with a purchasing website (portal) presenting an appropriate software catalogue based on framework user type, co-branded as a SEGfL service;
- The portal to deliver a fast, simple and compliant route for users to direct award orders through;
- For the successful supplier to support management of the software framework by suggesting software titles / solutions, negotiating prices and terms with software vendors, marketing the framework to users, managing licences, recording transactions and reporting regularly to the Contracting Authority / SEGfL.

Key drivers for this service are:

- To save educational establishments and other framework users money through aggregation;
- The requirement of educational establishments and other framework users to receive assistance in the complex area of licensing requirements and management;
- To make this software framework and associated supplier portal the online procurement service of choice for educational establishments and other framework users.

The Contracting Authority / SEGfL intends that the successful framework supplier shall act with SEGfL members to develop this service with educational establishments and other

users. Ideally, the supplier will be accredited by major software houses, experienced in portal management and online sales, have a good track record in marketing to educational establishments and other public sector users and be experienced in tracking and reporting its activities.

It is intended that the framework can be utilised by the following entities:

Educational establishments listed here:

<https://get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/Search?SelectedTab=Establishments> and updated from time to time

Local Authorities including County Councils, City Councils, District Councils, Borough Councils, Unitary Authorities, Metropolitan Districts and London Boroughs listed here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/media/6401d6a6d3bf7f25f813fc3a/List_of_councils_in_England_2023.pdf and updated from time to time

Parish, Community and Town Councils

Third Sector Voluntary, Community & Social Enterprises (VCSE)

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £500,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

As detailed in the procurement documents.

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: £500,000,000

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

Start date

2 January 2025

End date

1 January 2029

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The intended commencement date for the framework is 2nd January 2025, for an initial period of three (3) years plus a one (1) year optional extension to be applied from 2nd January 2028.

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 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 a single operator

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

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 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

13 November 2024

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The value above is the total estimated value of the orders to be let through this framework over the period of the framework. Individual orders placed under this framework will vary in value. There is no guarantee of minimum spend through the framework.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom