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Tender

Systems Integrator to design, supply, implement and support one indoor Open RAN mobile network distributed across three sites

Digital Catapult

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10 January 2023, 5:00pm

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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www.digicatapult.org.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA37289

I.3) Communication

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

www.mytenders.co.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.mytenders.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and Innovation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Systems Integrator to design, supply, implement and support one indoor Open RAN mobile network distributed across three sites

Reference number

P2022-085

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32400000 - Networks

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Digital Catapult is looking for an Open RAN System Integrator who shall design, supply, install, configure and integrate within the SONIC common compute and networking infrastructure an Open RAN-based network covering three sites in London. The System Integrator shall supply all the Open RAN hardware, including radio units and cables, both fibre and ethernet, to connect radio units, as well as software-based components and related services.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Digital Catapult is looking for an Open RAN System Integrator who shall design, supply, install, configure and integrate within the SONIC common compute and networking infrastructure an Open RAN-based network covering three sites in London.

The System Integrator shall supply all the Open RAN hardware, including radio units and cables, both fibre and ethernet, to connect radio units, as well as software-based components and related services.

The System Integrator shall have capabilities to deliver Radio Units (RUs), Distributed Unit (DUs) and Central Unit (CUs) and RAN Intelligent Controller (RIC) solutions.

The System Integrator shall also provide professional engineering services to install, configure and integrate a 5G Open RAN system distributed across the three indoor sites with the existing 5G SA Core network in SONIC Labs.

As part of the “Open Access” requirement, Digital Catapult shall work with equipment, services and solutions from several vendors/manufacturers and does not want a position of exclusivity of supply from any one particular vendor/manufacturer.

Ongoing support and maintenance of the equipment shall be provided for a period of 24 months.

In addition to the provision of the equipment, software and professional services required under this tender, Digital Catapult also require unpack and dispose of packaging, and install/mount where applicable of the kit.

Full requirements details are described on the ITT.

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: £600,000

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

Start date

24 January 2023

End date

24 March 2025

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.1.2) 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: [2022/S 000-015350](#)

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

Originally published as:

Date

3 January 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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Date

10 January 2023

Local time

5:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

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

3 January 2023

Local time

5:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the myTenders Web Site at

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=228105.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.mytenders.co.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

CEDR

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In the first instance, all appeals should be promptly brought to the attention of Digital Catapult, and will be dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the

Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Any appeals must be brought within the timescales specified by the applicable law, including without limitation, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. In accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the contracting authority will also incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period from the date information on award of contract is communicated to tenderers.