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Contract

Human Resources, Payroll and Employee Screening Services

Crescent Purchasing Limited
Education
Dukefield Procurement Limited
Public Sector

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Human Resources, Payroll and Employee Screening Services

Reference number

CA10556 - CPC/DU/HR/02

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Framework will provide a comprehensive range of HR, Payroll and Employee Screening Services. It is being established to meet the needs of Crescent Purchasing Consortium Members, http://www.thecpc.ac.uk/members/regions.php and potential members at https://www.get-information-schools.service.gov.uk/new. It is also open for use by all contracting authorities across the UK public sector (and any future successors). These include (but not limited to) central government departments and agencies, Non Departmental Public Bodies, NHS bodies, Local Authorities, Police Authorities, Emergency Services, Educational Establishments, Hospices, Registered Charities, National Parks and registered Social Landlords. Full details of the classification of eligible end user organisations and geographical areas is available at:

http://www.dukefieldprocurement.co.uk/fts-eligible-users

The Framework will be let across five Lots, with a maximum of 8 suppliers awarded a place on each of the Lots.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £100,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Human Resource Payroll and Employee Screening Services One-Stop-Shop

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79900000 Miscellaneous business and business-related services
- 79625000 Supply services of medical personnel
- 79633000 Staff development services
- 79611000 Job search services
- 79624000 Supply services of nursing personnel
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services
- 75131100 General personnel services for the government
- 79621000 Supply services of office personnel
- 79630000 Personnel services except placement and supply services

- 48400000 Business transaction and personal business software package
- 79410000 Business and management consultancy services
- 79600000 Recruitment services
- 72212400 Business transaction and personal business software development services
- 80511000 Staff training services
- 79631000 Personnel and payroll services
- 79610000 Placement services of personnel
- 79612000 Placement services of office-support personnel
- 72212450 Time accounting or human resources software development services
- 79635000 Assessment centre services for recruitment
- 79414000 Human resources management consultancy services
- 79620000 Supply services of personnel including temporary staff
- 48450000 Time accounting or human resources software package
- 79211110 Payroll management services
- 79990000 Miscellaneous business-related services
- 79634000 Career guidance services
- 79700000 Investigation and security services
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 79632000 Personnel-training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot will include the provision of of all the Lots below as detailed within the respective lot descriptions, delivered as an integrated service to the framework user; thus delivering their requirement for human resource services, payroll and employee screening services from a single supplier.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Price - Weighting: 40.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 36 initial month(s) and option to extend 1x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Human Resource Services

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79611000 Job search services
- 79990000 Miscellaneous business-related services
- 48450000 Time accounting or human resources software package
- 72212450 Time accounting or human resources software development services
- 79630000 Personnel services except placement and supply services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79900000 Miscellaneous business and business-related services
- 79625000 Supply services of medical personnel
- 79634000 Career guidance services
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 79635000 Assessment centre services for recruitment
- 79632000 Personnel-training services
- 79620000 Supply services of personnel including temporary staff
- 75131100 General personnel services for the government
- 72212400 Business transaction and personal business software development services
- 79610000 Placement services of personnel
- 79621000 Supply services of office personnel
- 79414000 Human resources management consultancy services
- 79624000 Supply services of nursing personnel
- 79600000 Recruitment services
- 48400000 Business transaction and personal business software package
- 80511000 Staff training services

- 79410000 Business and management consultancy services
- 79633000 Staff development services
- 79612000 Placement services of office-support personnel

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Human resource services including but not limited to, the following services:

Specialist recruitment/e-recruitment services, HR consultancy, managed services, training, business and administration support services, transformational services, leadership and management support services and employee support services.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Price - Weighting: 40.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 36 initial month(s) and option to extend 1x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Payroll Services

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79900000 Miscellaneous business and business-related services
- 79631000 Personnel and payroll services
- 80511000 Staff training services
- 79990000 Miscellaneous business-related services
- 48400000 Business transaction and personal business software package
- 48450000 Time accounting or human resources software package
- 72212450 Time accounting or human resources software development services
- 79410000 Business and management consultancy services
- 72212400 Business transaction and personal business software development services
- 79211110 Payroll management services
- 79630000 Personnel services except placement and supply services
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 79633000 Staff development services
- 79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Payroll Services including but not limited to: Data Input, Processing of Payroll, Setting Up and Processing of Pensions, Tax NI and Related Services, Holiday Calculations, Sickness Paternity and Maternity Calculations, Processing of Expenses and Benefit, Processing of Third Party Payments and Pensions, Payment of Salaries, Production of Payslips, Application of Legislative Updates, Provision of Management Information, Production of HMRC Documentation, Payroll Query Help Line and Employee Help Line. All services to be delivered either as a Bureau, Part Managed or Managed Service

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Price - Weighting: 40.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 36 initial month(s) and option to extend 1x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Employee Screening Services Solutions

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79631000 Personnel and payroll services
- 79611000 Job search services
- 79610000 Placement services of personnel
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 79700000 Investigation and security services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot offers a full suite of employee screening checks including, but not limited to: Disclosure and Barring Service and Criminal record checks, as detailed in lot 5, Verification Service Checks, Credit Checks, Right to work checks, Identity Verification, Passport Validation, DVLA/Driving Licence checks, Directorship checks, Media/Social Media checks, International Fraud/Sanction checks, BS7858 Checks and The Baseline Personnel Security Standard (BPSS) Check

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Price - Weighting: 40.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 36 initial month(s) and option to extend 1x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Disclosure and Barring Service and Criminal Record Checks

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79610000 Placement services of personnel
- 79631000 Personnel and payroll services
- 79611000 Job search services
- 79000000 Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security
- 79700000 Investigation and security services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This lot offers a comprehensive range of Disclosure and Barring Service and Criminal Record checks such as: Basic, Standard and Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service checks or equivalents.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60.00%

Price - Weighting: 40.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 36 initial month(s) and option to extend 1x12 month(s)

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

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 000-019414

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA10556

Lot No

1

Title

Human Resource Payroll and Employee Screening Services One-Stop-Shop

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA10556

Lot No

2

Title

Human Resource Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

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Country
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NUTS code
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Internet address
www.liberata.com
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)
Total value of the contract/lot: £35,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA10556

Lot No

3

Title

Payroll Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME
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The contractor is an SME
No
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Suite A1, Brunel House

The contractor is an SME

No

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The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)
Total value of the contract/lot: £35,000,000
Section V. Award of contract
Contract No
CA10556

Lot No

4

Title

Employee Screening Services Solutions

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

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www.ddc.uk.net

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £15,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA10556

Lot No

5

Title

Disclosure and Barring Service and Criminal Record Checks

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £15,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

CPC Internal Reference Number is CPC/DU/HR/02. The framework is being delivered by Crescent Purchasing Ltd through Crescent Purchasing Consortium and its partners Dukefield Procurement Ltd (who are a subsidiary of Dukefield Group Ltd). Dukefield Procurement Ltd are acting as agents of Crescent Purchasing Consortium in the development and ongoing contract management of this framework. The contracting authority will be using an eTendering system to conduct the procurement exercise. To access the procurement documentation suppliers must register their company details on the

Sourcing Cloud system at:

https://suppliers.multiquote.com

the tender is available from the opportunities menu on the login page of the site.

The contracting authority shall not be under any obligation to accept the lowest tender or indeed any tender. Crescent Purchasing Consortium expressly reserves the rights:

- (a) to terminate the procurement process and not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process at any time;
- (b) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the procurement as detailed within the tender documentation:
- (c) to award a contract covering only part of the consortium's requirements if explicitly detailed within the tender documentation;

- (d) to disqualify any organisation from the process that canvasses any employee of the Contracting Authority during the procurement process or standstill period if applicable;
- (e) seek clarifications to tender responses on the basis that any clarification sought will not confer any undue competitive advantage in the favour of any supplier from whom such clarifications are being sought;
- (f) where the contracting authority can evidence that there is a conflict of interest, either personal or in consideration of any organisation bidding for the contract, the contracting authority shall have the explicit right to immediately exclude that person or organisation from the tender process entirely;
- (g) where the contracting authority has engaged in any pre-market soft testing prior to the commencement of the procurement process, the contracting authority reserves the right to

name any organisation that has been involved in these discussions and release any and all specifications/discussion documents to the market where appropriate to the subject matter of this procurement;

- (h) the contracting authority will not be liable for any costs incurred by tenderers;
- (i) the value of the framework provided in section II.1.5) is only an estimate and the contracting authority will not guarantee any business through this framework agreement;

and

(j) the contracting authority wishes to establish a framework agreement open for use by all Public Sector Bodies as stated in II.1.4).

Tenderers should note, in reference to section IV.1.3), envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework:

Where, following the evaluation of bids, more than one tenderer on a Lot is tied with the same final evaluation score and are ranked in the last supplier award position, each of these tenderers shall be deemed to occupy the last framework agreement contract award position for the Lot in question for the purpose of calculating the maximum number of suppliers under the framework.

The contracting authority will award a framework agreement to additional tenderers on a particular Lot beyond the stated maximum number for that Lot, where their final evaluation score (s) is within 0.5% of the last placed position only on the particular Lot. For the avoidance of doubt, the last placed position in respect of this framework on each lot is eighth place. Therefore, tenderers within 0.5%, along with the tenderer in last placed position on a lot, shall be deemed to occupy the last framework agreement contract award position for

that particular lot.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Crescent Purchasing Consortium

Procurement House, Unit 23, Leslie Hough Way

Salford

M66AJ

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Crescent Purchasing Consortium

Procurement House, Unit 23, Leslie Hough Way

Salford

M66AJ

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Crescent Purchasing Consortium will incorporate a minimum 10-day standstill period at the point where information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. Bidders who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the Contracting Authority as soon as possible after the decision is made as to the reasons why the bidder was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Procurement Regulations provide for the aggrieved parties who have been harmed or who are at risk of harm by the breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any action must be generally brought within 3 months. If a

declaration of ineffectiveness is sought, any such action must be brought within 30 days where the Contracting Authority has communicated the award of the contract and a summary of reasons to tenderers, or otherwise within 6 months of the contract being entered into.

Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the Contracting Authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the Contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order the Contracting Authority to pay a fine, and/or order that the duration of the contract the shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

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

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