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## **DAERA – AFBI – Supply and Delivery of a Grass Plot Harvester (ID 4590167)**

DAERA - AFBI

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

DAERA - AFBI

18A Newforge Lane

BELFAST

BT9 5PX

#### **Contact**

Collaboration.CPDfinance-ni.gov.uk

#### **Email**

[Collaboration.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:Collaboration.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

## **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://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

DAERA – AFBI – Supply and Delivery of a Grass Plot Harvester (ID 4590167)

Reference number

ID 4590167

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 16000000 - Agricultural machinery

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Agri-Food and Biosciences Institute (AFBI) requires a Grass Plot Harvester, to cut experimental plots. AFBI is Northern Ireland's largest multidisciplinary science and technology organisation, with a vision of advancing the local and global agri-food sectors through delivery of scientific excellence. AFBI conducts agricultural field experiments at a number of locations throughout NI. A grass plot harvester is required in order to meet the scientific requirements of a number of research projects. A £45 million Soil Nutrient Health Scheme, funded by the Department for Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA) is currently underway across NI. Part of this project involves fertiliser trials at eight experimental sites. A plot harvester is used to cut the grass on experimental plots three times a year, across the eight sites. This involves transport of a harvester and other heavy field equipment daily, for distances up to 120 miles return trip.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £120,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 16810000 - Parts of agricultural machinery
- 16600000 - Specialist agricultural or forestry machinery
- 16100000 - Agricultural and forestry machinery for soil preparation or cultivation
- 16800000 - Parts of agricultural and forestry machinery

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

12

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

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## **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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Contract monitoring: the successful contractor's performance on the contract will be..... regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting..... what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to... improve.... If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance the matter will be escalated to... senior... management in Construction and Procurement Delivery (CPD) for further action. If this occurs and your performance does... not improve... to satisfactory levels within the specified period, this can be considered grounds for termination of the contract at your... expense as... provided for in the Conditions of Contract. In lieu of termination, CPD may issue a Notice of Written Warning or a Notice. of.. Unsatisfactory... Performance. A supplier in receipt of multiple Notices of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. may,.. in accordance... with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) be excluded from future public procurement. competitions for. a. period of up. to.. three years

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

Date

25 January 2023

Local time

3:00pm

### **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**

Tender must be valid until: 25 April 2023

### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

25 January 2023

Local time

3:30pm

Place

Clare House

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

CPD Representatives

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for review/appeal or mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)... and,... where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information is... communicated... to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the... unsuccessful. tenderers to... challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.