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Futures Framework

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

London

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professionalservices@uksbs.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.uksbs.co.uk

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://www.gov.uk/contracts-finder>

Additional information can be obtained from another address:

UK Shared Business Services

Polaris House, North Star Avenue

Swindon

SN2 1FF

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKI - London

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.uksbs.co.uk

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://beisgroup.ukp.app.jaggaer.com/>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Futures Framework

Reference number

PS22410

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Futures Framework is a register of consultants and researchers that can be called upon by HM Government (HMG) Departments and Agencies and UK public bodies to support conducting work to think strategically about the long term future (herein called Futures) and further developing these capabilities in government.

The demand for Futures work, and other 'fields' that can help people to think about the long term future (e.g. systems analysis, present-day scanning, decision making support), in government is currently outstripping the capacity of the government's expertise. The Futures Framework will assist policymakers to quickly and with minimal cost identify and procure Futures and related services and capability development opportunities. The Framework will be used by government departments and agencies to support a range of activities, including, but not limited to, the techniques in the Government's published Futures Toolkit.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79300000 - Market and economic research; polling and statistics

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The key areas of expertise needed are:

- Services for describing and explaining the characteristics of a policy area (including trend and driver analysis, and systems analysis) or issue (including associated risks and opportunities)
- Services for describing what the future might be like
- Services for developing and testing policies and strategies, and related decisions, particularly for their robustness and resilience
- Services for developing Futures capability within the Civil Service (including skills related to the above activities)
- Services for convening or engaging a diverse range of stakeholders (citizen and expert voices) in futures work
- Services, expertise and data gathering and visualisation related to specific fields (including, but not limited to, specific scientific and technological, social and economic fields)

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Futures Toolkit.

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: £3,000,000

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

Start date

3 April 2023

End date

31 March 2026

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.1.3) 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

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 000-032088](#)

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

Date

7 February 2023

Local time

10:00am

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

7 February 2023

Local time

11:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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

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