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Planning

Pre-market Engagement Supplier Event - Thursday 25th January 2024 ONLINE EVENT ONLY — Digital Asset Custody & Realisation (Exchange) Services

Home Office

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

C25865

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 66162000 - Custody services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

On Thursday 25 January 2024 from 10.00 - 11.30, techUK is delighted to be hosting the Home Office for a virtual (online) market engagement event.

The purpose of the event is to give suppliers the opportunity to engage with the HO and its partners to help build its knowledge and understanding of the Digital Asset Custody and Realisation Services market landscape and help inform its future market engagement and planning.

To engage in this process suppliers are required to register their interest (without commitment) by providing their details, in order to receive joining instructions and participate in the event.

The Home Office working in collaboration with the National Police Chiefs Council, and the City of London Police (Authority's Group) is seeking to engage with the Digital asset Custody, Exchange and Technology Services Market to help build its understanding of the level of market capability and capacity.

Pre-Market Engagement will be used to build knowledge of the national provider landscape in readiness for future commissions, anticipated in the next financial year, commencing April 2024.

Should you have any questions which relate to the event itself, please make contact via this email address: CryptoSupplierMailbox@homeoffice.gov.uk

IMPORTANT: Please copy and paste this link into your browser to register your wish to participate in the supplier online event:

<https://www.techuk.org/what-we-deliver/events/digital-asset-custody-industry-briefing.html>

Any further questions regarding the agenda/topics can only be addressed if you are registered to attend, you will be able to pose a question once your invitation has been confirmed back to you via our Joining Instruction details, where a Sli.do app code will be shared with you.

We look forward to welcoming you to the event, please go ahead and book.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 66162000 - Custody services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Secretary of State for the Home Department 4th Floor Peel Building, 2 Marsham Street

Town: London

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM

Postal code: SW1P 4LD

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Home Office is considering options for the future storage and realisation of digital assets. The Home Office is looking to understand what services are currently available in the market that provide an institutional level of secure storage through to realisation.

The Home Office is looking to engage the market to gain further information only at this time. The information provided will help the Home Office to consider and shape a future market engagement strategy and service requirements. The current service covers the secure storage and exchange of crypto assets.

Home Office is looking to assess the market capability in relation to the provision of (please note this is not an exhaustive list):

1. End to end secure digital assets custody
2. Warm and cold storage capability
3. Secure exchange services (asset realisation)
4. Service scalability – excess of £750m
5. Indemnity
6. Digital asset coverage including NFTs
7. the technology used to deliver these services.
8. MFA (Multi Factor Authentication/Authorisation)
9. Asset security SSL (end to end security measures) / ISO 27001
10. Web based interface and mobile device compatibility

The Home Office is seeking to understand the provision of full end to end service (Custody and Exchange that can be provided as well as all digital assets that can be covered (now and future) including NFTs.

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II.2.14) Additional information

Contract Value:

Commission based, with rate subject to engagement with suppliers. Consideration would also be given to a fixed annual fee, again subject to supplier engagement.

Suppliers should note that any specified total contract values (TCV) are the authority's best estimates. The value and contract term for this potential requirement will be informed by this Market Engagement activity.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

15 July 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note, the Authority (the Home Office) plans to host supplier engagement events and market sounding meetings to further develop its understanding and to test the requirements and routes/approaches with this work informing work on a Delivery Model Assessment.

This PIN does not formally signify the beginning of any procurement exercise by the authority, nor does it constitute a commitment by the authority to undertake a procurement.

However, in the event that the authority decides to formally commence a procurement pursuant to this PIN, a separate contract notice will be published. If a separate contract notice is published the authority will rely on the publication of this notice to utilise the minimum time-frames permissible for the receipt of tenders and stages of a procurement.