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Planning

BLC0273 Adobe or equivalent software

BLUELIGHT COMMERCIAL LIMITED

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Scope

Description

Further to the UK1: Pipeline Notice published on 9th June (ref: 2025/S 000-030886) for a national contract for all policing (and potential for fire authorities) for Adobe or equivalent software needs.

BlueLight Commercial are issuing this Preliminary Market Engagement Notice to further understand alternative products to Adobe available within the PDF management market which will help inform BLC's overall approach and strategy to the procurement. To be clear BLC have not yet chosen a route to market and may decide that an open procurement is not an appropriate route for this Contract and may review existing Frameworks available under the Public Contract Regulations 2015.

BlueLight Commercial therefore invites interested technology providers to attend a market engagement session on Friday 18th July, 10.30am. During the session we will provide an overview of the current contract and our minimum requirements of the software moving forward.

Following this initial market engagement session BlueLight Commercial intends to hold one-to-one meetings on 24th July with technology providers which will focus on gaining an understanding of the technology capabilities and functionality in the market. Depending on

the level of interest, BlueLight Commercial reserves the right to restrict these meetings to technology providers only who can meet the minimum requirements set out within the initial market engagement session.

If you have any questions, please contact the BlueLight Commercial ICT Team at nationalict@bluelight.police.uk. It is important to note that this notice acts as an invitation to attend market engagement, it is not a call for competition and as such potential providers will need to express interest in any future opportunity once a tender notice is published on Find a Tender Service (FTS). This preliminary market engagement notice is not a pre-qualification questionnaire and is not part of any pre-qualification or selection process and is intended as an awareness, communication, and information gathering exercise only to help inform a subsequent procurement exercise.

Total value (estimated)

- £12,000,000 excluding VAT
- £14,399,997 including VAT

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 April 2026 to 20 April 2029
- 3 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
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Engagement

Engagement deadline

17 July 2025

Engagement process description

The intention is to hold the session remotely via Microsoft Teams on Friday 18th July, 10.30am. The event will be limited to 2 people from each organisation.

If you would like to register your interest to attend the session, please do so by completing this survey <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/SNW4UF/> by 12pm Wednesday 16th July, stating the name, role and e-mail address of each attendee.

Participation

Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

2 September 2025

Contracting authority

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