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IP Patent Attorney Services and IP Landscaping Services

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/72814>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=88225&B=UKAEA

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Fusion Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

T/EA198/24

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79120000 - Patent and copyright consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

An essential part of UKAEA's mission is to maximise the scientific and socioeconomic benefit from research at UKAEA, to demonstrate the near-term benefits of the fusion R&D programme. A strong intellectual property portfolio will be essential to deliver this mission.

UKAEA is seeking to appoint a panel of patent attorney firms (maximum number of 2 patent firms) and Patent/IP Search provider (single provider) to provide high quality, professional and expert services relating to UKAEA's intellectual property portfolio.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

IP Patent Attorney Services

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79100000 - Legal services
- 79110000 - Legal advisory and representation services
- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79112000 - Legal representation services
- 79130000 - Legal documentation and certification services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ - South East (England)
- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

UKAEA is seeking to appoint a panel of patent attorney firms (maximum number of 2 patent firms) to provide high quality, professional and expert services relating to UKAEA's intellectual property portfolio.

Our IP portfolio covers a very wide range of areas including, but not limited to: novel materials, software, robotics, manufacturing, management of hydrogen isotopes, magnets, plasma, sensors and diagnostics, waste management and decommissioning, thermal management, and power generation technologies.

The contract will be for an initial period of 3 years (36 months), with a further 1 year extension period up to a combined total of 4 years (48 months).

Patent attorney firms:

The anticipated contract value of the term is, £1.5 million however there is no commitment to spend up to this amount.

Services will include, but not be limited to: Invention mining/harvesting; Drafting, filing and prosecution of patent applications; Preparing and filing design registrations; Preparing and filing trade marks; Provision of timely reminders of case deadline; Instruction of overseas attorneys; Arrangements for renewals; Seconded resource to support in-house team.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

IP Landscaping Services

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

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The contract will be for an initial period of 3 years (36 months), with a further 1 year extension period up to a combined total of 4 years (48 months).

Patent/IP Search provider:

The anticipated contract value of the term is £300,000 however there is no commitment to spend up to this amount.

Tasks will include: prior art searches, technology landscape searches, validity searches, watching searches

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

31 March 2025

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

The procurement for the framework is anticipated to be launched in January 2025.