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Email Security Platform

Senedd Cymru / Welsh Parliament

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04c2fc

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.senedd.wales.org/abthome/abt-procurement.htm>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0424

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://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml?_ncp=1719319152716.559484-1

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Devolved Legislation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Email Security Platform

Reference number

1247

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Currently, the Senedd has a contract in place providing an e-mail security platform which forms an important part of the organisation's cyber security infrastructure and programme. The solution delivers advanced e-mail filtering functionality and gives end users the ability to report suspicious messages. This additional layer of security ensures we are far more likely to detect and stop attacks which are not detected by our Microsoft e-mail and security products, and includes Welsh/English delivery and end user interaction. This project is designed to ensure the Senedd is able to benefit from this type of capability for the next contract cycle.

The proposed solution will need to provide email filtering, give end users the ability to report suspicious e-mails, and provide the security team with a native and efficient means of communicating with the affected users, regardless of the end users' platform/OS. End-user-facing content needs to offer bi-lingual delivery, tailored to the users' language preference.

The contract will include the supply and installation of the solution, with ongoing support. The term of the contract will be for a 5 year period.

The previous tender process that was run under PQQ reference 33572 has been stopped. This is a new tender process for an Email Security Platform and is being run under PQQ reference 33626.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

Main site or place of performance

Cardiff Bay

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.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract will be renewed in 2029

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Envisaged minimum number: 5

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

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As detailed in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Restricted 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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2024/S 000-142488](#)

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

Date

13 January 2025

Local time

10:00am

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

23 January 2025

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English, Welsh

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 90 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: During 2029

VI.3) Additional information

Suppliers will need to be registered on the Bravo Solution portal in order to obtain the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (PQQ) and view the supporting Procurement documents. If you are not already registered you can register by going to www.etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk. It is free to register on this portal. Once registered:-

- Click the 'Open Access PQQs' link
- Click on the relevant PQQ to access the content (pqq_33626 - Email Security Platform)
- Click the 'Express Interest' button in the 'Actions' box on the left-hand side of the page. This will move the PQQ into your 'My PQQs' page
- Click on the PQQ code. You can now access any attachments by clicking the 'Settings and Buyer Attachments' in the 'Actions' box
- You can now choose to 'Reply' to the PQQ and submit your response

Please note that the Procurement documents will be uploaded into the 'Supplier Attachments' area under 'Settings' for all suppliers to view.

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=146585

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

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