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Planning

Web Application Firewall Partners framework agreement

Jisc

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Scope

Reference

Proc2893

Description

Jisc Cloud Security team are looking to offer a Web Application Firewall (WAF) managed service for its members and customers. The managed service will consist of a third party WAF solution, with a Jisc managed service wrapped around it. The solution must host customer data in the UK and offer comprehensive security features including protection against DDoS attacks, OWASP Top 10 threats, credential stuffing, zero-day attacks, and bot activity. It should also include advanced threat detection using machine learning and behavior analysis, configurable mitigation controls, API protection, antivirus scanning for uploaded files, and real-time analytics for traffic and bot insights. A complete set of requirements will be available in the Invitation to tender.

Commercial tool

Establishes a framework

Total value (estimated)

- £800,000 excluding VAT
- £1,000,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 20 October 2025 to 20 October 2028
- Possible extension to 20 October 2029
- 4 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

Initial period is 3 years, with further 12 month extension period permitted. (3+1)

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72212730 - Security software development services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Framework

Maximum number of suppliers

2

Maximum percentage fee charged to suppliers

0%

Framework operation description

Rates to be provided by suppliers. Direct award and further competition depending on our customer demands.

Award method when using the framework

Either with or without competition

Contracting authorities that may use the framework

Establishing party only

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Publication date of tender notice (estimated)

29 August 2025

Enquiry deadline

10 September 2025, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

22 September 2025, 4:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/login.asp?B=JISC>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

4 October 2025

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Technical	See ITT - subject to change at publication	Quality	80%
Pricing	See ITT - subject to change at publication	Price	20%

Other information**Applicable trade agreements**

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Procedure**Procedure type**

Open procedure

Contracting authority

Jisc

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PGYD-1575-ZHXX

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government