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Contract

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Specialist Art Transportation Services

National Galleries of Scotland

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Recreation, culture and religion

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Framework Agreement for the Provision of Specialist Art Transportation Services

Reference number

2026/TF

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60000000 - Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

National Galleries Scotland (NGS) “The Authority” wish to award a multi-lot, multi-Contractor Framework for the Provision of Specialist Art Transportation Services.

There are 4 Lots under the Framework Agreement covering the provision of business-as-usual UK movements of works/objects through to multi-national transportation of many works/objects to/from multiple venues across the world. Services will include (but not limited to) packaging, transport, storage, technical assistance, technical advice and project management.

Framework Contractors must have a clear understanding of the Contract Requirements and the organisational needs of NGS. For full details of the Contract Requirements, please refer to the associated Invitation to Tender and Framework Agreement documents.

There will be no commitment to a minimum volume of work or spend under the Agreement. Mini competitions for Call-Off Contracts will be conducted on an as required basis. Contractors will have no claim against NGS if they are not awarded any work through Call-Off Contracts.

There is no commitment to a minimum spend over the duration of the Framework Agreement. Under this Agreement, no minimum spend is guaranteed.

It is a requirement that Framework Contractors as a minimum, hold or commit to obtain prior to the award of contract, a valid Cyber Essentials Basic Certification (or equivalent) in place throughout the duration of the Framework Agreement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

International & Worldwide Exhibition Transport & Single Transfers (including airport requirements)

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33952000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide international and worldwide exhibition transport including co-ordination of the complete logistics package associated with exhibitions from collection from lenders to return at the end of the exhibition, including airport requirements.

International & worldwide single transfers, including packing, storage and part-load transfer where appropriate, and associated airport requirements, are also included under this Lot 1.

The procurement will be conducted through the use of the Open (single stage) procedure.

A position on Lot 1 will be awarded to the 5 Tenderers who score the highest overall marks in accordance with our Tender Evaluation Methodology detailed within the Invitation to Tender (ITT) document.

Bidders must complete and return an SPD (Scotland) form along with their tender submission for Lot 1 (and any other lots they are tendering for).

Economic Operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

NGS reserves the right to issue a contract modification in terms of Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Exhibition Transport within the UK (excluding airport requirements)

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33952000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide exhibition transport including co-ordination of the complete logistics package associated with exhibitions from collection from lenders to return at the end of the exhibition for UK loans exhibitions.

The procurement will be conducted through the use of the Open (single stage) procedure.

A position on Lot 2 will be awarded to the 5 Tenderers who score the highest overall marks in accordance with our Tender Evaluation Methodology detailed within the Invitation to Tender (ITT) document.

Bidders must complete and return an SPD (Scotland) form along with their tender submission for Lot 2 (and any other lots they are tendering for).

Economic Operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

NGS reserves the right to issue a contract modification in terms of Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Transport for Specialist Requirements

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33952000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide fine art and object packing, occasional storage and transportation services for works requiring specialist handling and removal (for example large sculpture, works containing hazardous substances etc.).

The procurement will be conducted through the use of the Open (single stage) procedure.

A position on Lot 3 will be awarded to the 5 Tenderers who score the highest overall marks in accordance with our Tender Evaluation Methodology detailed within the Invitation to Tender (ITT) document.

Bidders must complete and return an SPD (Scotland) form along with their tender submission for Lot 3 (and any other lots they are tendering for).

Economic Operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

NGS reserves the right to issue a contract modification in terms of Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

UK Single Transfers (excluding airport requirements)

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33952000 - Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

To provide fine art and object packing, occasional storage and transportation services, including part-load transfer where appropriate, excluding airport requirements and restricted to the UK.

The procurement will be conducted through the use of the Open (single stage) procedure.

A position on Lot 4 will be awarded to the 5 Tenderers who score the highest overall marks in accordance with our Tender Evaluation Methodology detailed within the Invitation to Tender (ITT) document.

Bidders must complete and return an SPD (Scotland) form along with their tender submission for Lot 4 (and any other lots they are tendering for).

Economic Operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in Regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

NGS reserves the right to issue a contract modification in terms of Regulation 72 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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 IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open 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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2026/TF

Lot No

1

Title

International & Worldwide Exhibition Transport & Single Transfers (including airport requirements)

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2026/TF

Lot No

2

Title

Exhibition Transport within the UK (excluding airport requirements)

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2026/TF

Lot No

3

Title

Transport for Specialist Requirements

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2026/TF

Lot No

4

Title

UK Single Transfers (excluding airport requirements)

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

National Galleries Scotland reserves the right to cancel the procurement at any time and not award a Contract. The expenditure, work or effort undertaken by Bidders prior to the Award of Contract is accordingly a matter solely for the commercial judgement of Bidders.

Late SPDs and Tenders may not be considered by National Galleries Scotland.

With reference to section IV.1.3 'Information about a framework agreement' where an envisaged number of participants to the framework agreement is stated to be 5, this is 5 per Lot of the Framework Agreement.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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