

United Kingdom-Didcot: Internet services
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Contract notice
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

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General address of the contracting authority: www.ja.net

Electronic access to information: <https://tenders.ja.net>

Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: <https://tenders.ja.net>

Additional information can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from:

the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted: the abovementioned address

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Other: National education and research network provider

I.3. Main activity

Education

I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: no

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority

Global Internet Transit Service.

II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 5: Telecommunications services

NUTS code UKJ14 Oxfordshire

II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The notice involves a public contract

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

II.1.5. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

To extend the reach of facilities provided to its users, Janet (UK) has established access from Janet to the global Internet. Janet (UK) has implemented this by a fourfold approach:

1. peering with commercial Internet Service Providers (ISP) in the UK;
2. establishing interconnectivity to networks operated by similar academic and national research and education organisations in other European countries and around the world via GÉANT;
3. procuring transit in London through two ISPs to the global Internet; and
4. procuring transit in Manchester through one ISP to the global Internet.

It is one of the suppliers for the third part of the provision which Janet(UK) is seeking to replace through Lot 1 of this procurement and it is the supplier for the fourth part Janet(UK) is seeking to replace through Lot 2 of this procurement.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

72400000 Internet services, 72411000 Internet service providers ISP, 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

II.1.7. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

II.1.8. Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

II.1.9. Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Janet currently interconnects and provides wide-area network services to all Higher Education Institutions, Further Education Colleges and Research Council establishments in the UK. Connections are also provided to other organisations, including those in both the public and commercial sectors, which work in collaboration with these bodies in the areas of education, training or research.

In addition, Janet provides wide-area backbone and associated national services to each of the Regional Broadband Consortia and to a number of Local Authorities in England, particularly in the context of the schools' National Education Network. Similar services are currently provided to SWAN in Scotland for the Scottish schools. Janet provides services as well to the PSBA Network in Wales and the Classroom 2000 network in Northern Ireland. Janet services are also provided to a number of Local Authorities, Local Education Authorities and Unitary Authorities to serve the needs of personal and community development education, and for other activities of the Authorities which are of benefit to the public, primarily but not exclusively in the context of education and training.

The Janet Eligibility Policy defines the conditions under which any organisation is eligible for Janet services. The present Eligibility Policy is available at: <https://community.ja.net/library/janet-policies/eligibility-policy>

The global Internet transit service to be procured will serve the needs of all classes of organisation and activity described in this policy, and with the potential to serve other classes

of public-sector organisation or activity that may be identified as a result of local, central or devolved government initiatives during the lifetime of the resulting contract.

Due to these developments Jisc is creating a trading subsidiary through which it will provide some part of its services, and also to assist in the management of the regulatory implications of the increasing amounts of private funding expected to supplement the public funding provided to support Janet. This trading subsidiary, and any other similar vehicle Jisc may create during the lifetime of the agreement resulting from this procurement, will also use Janet services to carry out its mission.

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: Janet (UK) is seeking an initial two-year contract term, with the possibility of extension for up to a further year.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.3. Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 24 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Global Internet Transit connectivity in London

1) Short description

Global Internet Transit connectivity in London.

2) CPV code(s)

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3) Quantity or scope

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4) Indication about different time frame or duration

5) Additional information about lots

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Global Internet Transit connectivity in Manchester

1) Short description

Global Internet Transit connectivity in Manchester.

2) CPV code(s)

72400000 Internet services, 72411000 Internet service providers ISP, 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

3) Quantity or scope

Janet currently interconnects and provides wide-area network services to all Higher Education Institutions, Further Education Colleges and Research Council establishments in the UK. Connections are also provided to other organisations, including those in both the public and commercial sectors, which work in collaboration with these bodies in the areas of education, training or research.

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III.1. Conditions related to the contract

III.1.1. Deposits and guarantees required

III.1.2. Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

III.1.3. Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded

III.1.4. Contract performance conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: no

III.2. Conditions for participation

III.2.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions: Grounds for discretionary rejection as set out in Article 45 items 2(a), (b), (c), (d) and (g) of EU directive 2004/18/EC:

(a) is bankrupt or is being wound up, where his affairs are being administered by the court, where he has entered into an arrangement with creditors, where he has suspended business activities or is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under national laws and regulations;

(b) is the subject of proceedings for a declaration of bankruptcy, for an order for compulsory winding up or administration by the court or of an arrangement with creditors or of any other similar proceedings under national laws and regulations;

(c) has been convicted by a judgement which has the force of res judicata in accordance with the legal provisions of the country of any offence concerning his professional conduct;

(d) has been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authorities can demonstrate;

(g) is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required under this section or has not supplied such information.

Grounds for mandatory rejection as set out in Regulation 23(1) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006:

(a)

conspiracy within the meaning of section 1 or 1A of the Criminal Law Act 1977 or article 9 or 9A of the Criminal Attempts and Conspiracy (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 where that conspiracy relates to participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of Council Framework Decision 2008/841/JHA

(b)

corruption within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889 or section 1 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 where the offence relates to active corruption;

(c)

the offence of bribery, where the offence relates to active corruption

(d) fraud, where the offence relates to fraud affecting the European Communities' financial interests as defined by Article 1 of the Convention on the protection of the financial interests of the European Communities, within the meaning of -

(i) the offence of cheating the Revenue

(ii) the offence of conspiracy to defraud

- (iii) fraud or theft within the meaning of the Theft Act 1968, the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, the Theft Act 1978 or the Theft (Northern Ireland) Order 1978
- (iv) fraudulent trading within the meaning of section 458 of the Companies Act 1985, article 451 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 or section 993 of the Companies Act 2006
- (v) fraudulent evasion within the meaning of section 170 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 or section 72 of the Value Added Tax Act 1994
- (vi) an offence in connection with taxation in the European Union within the meaning of section 71 of the Criminal Justice Act 1993
- (vii) destroying, defacing or concealing of documents or procuring the execution of a valuable security within the meaning of section 20 of the Theft Act 1968 or section 19 of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969
- (viii) fraud within the meaning of section 2, 3 or 4 of the Fraud Act 2006; or
- (ix) making, adapting, supplying or offering to supply articles for use in frauds within the meaning of section 7 of the Fraud Act 2006
- (e) money laundering within the meaning of section 340(11) of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002;
- (f) any other offence within the meaning of Article 45(1) of the Public Sector Directive as defined by the national law of any relevant State.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: The supplier shall provide evidence of financial and economic standing, as specified in Article 47 of EU directive 2004/18/EC.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

III.2.4. Information about reserved contracts

III.3. Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1. Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2. Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract: no

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open

IV.1.2. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

IV.1.3. Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated no

IV.2. Award criteria

IV.2.1. Award criteria

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3. Administrative information

IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

IV.3.3. Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents: 20.2.2015 - 12:00

Payable documents: no

IV.3.4. Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

23.2.2015 - 12:00

IV.3.5. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

IV.3.6. Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English.

IV.3.7. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 23.2.2015 - 12:00

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:

no

VI.3. Additional information

Each interested supplier is required to register its intention to submit a response to the operational requirement via the Janet e-tendering opportunities portal at <https://tenders.ja.net>

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

VI.4.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

5.1.2015