

United Kingdom-Bristol: Auditing services
OJ S 60/2018 27/03/2018
Contract notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Palladium International Ltd

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I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://partnershipsforforests.com/2018/03/26/procurement-for-an-auditor/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

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

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Other type: Private Sector Organisation

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: International Development

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Procurement for an Auditor to verify that each P4F Grant was expended in accordance with the terms of its Grant Agreement

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79212000 Auditing services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

Partnerships for Forests (P4F) is a 56 000 000 GBP 5 years grant and technical assistance programme, funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID). DFID has contracted Palladium to manage the programme. So as to verify that recipients of P4F grant funds have expended those funds in accordance with the terms of their grant agreements, Palladium seeks to procure an auditor to conduct audits on a number of grants between 2018 and 2020. The procurement will consist of 4 Lots and an auditor will be procured for each of the regions where P4F operates (East Africa, West & Central Africa, South East Asia, and Global – the P4F Regions). Each auditor will be contracted through a framework /call down contract. A single organisation or consortium may submit a bid covering all four P4F Regions, 3 of the 4, 2 of the 4, or only 1 of the P4F Regions. This notice is been published on OJEU on a voluntary basis to ensure a fair and transparent procurement.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 250 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 4The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining any combination of the Lots or to contract multiple tenderers for a single Lot.

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

Global (UK, EU, USA)

Lot No: 1

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79212000 Auditing services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKK12 Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Main site or place of performance: UK, EU or USA.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The objective of this assignment is for the auditor to carry out the specific tasks listed in the scope of the assignment (detailed in the ITT) and upon completion to submit to Palladium a report of factual findings. The auditor will be expected to provide an overall assessment of whether the grant was expended in accordance with the terms of its grant agreement by the grantee. Palladium seeks to procure an auditor for each of the P4F Regions (East Africa, West & Central Africa, South East Asia, and Global). A single organisation or consortium may submit a bid covering all 4 P4F Regions, three of the 4 P4F Regions, 2 of the 4 P4F Regions, or only one of the P4F Regions. Tenderers should note that a separate technical and financial submission must be submitted for each P4F Region that is been bid for (so for example – if a tenderer is bidding for both the East Africa and West & Central Africa P4F Regions, they would submit 2 technical submissions and 2 financial submissions = one for each P4F Region).

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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: 60 000,00 GBP

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

Start: 18/05/2018 End: 30/10/2020

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

II.2.14. Additional information

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

South East Asia

Lot No: 2

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79212000 Auditing services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: 00 Other or Not Specified

Main site or place of performance: Indonesia, Singapore.

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Options: no

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no

II.2.14. Additional information

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

West & Central Africa

Lot No: 3

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79212000 Auditing services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: 00 Other or Not Specified

Main site or place of performance: Cameroon, Côte d'Ivoire, the Democratic Republic of Congo, Ghana, Gabon and Liberia.

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Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: no

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no

II.2.14. Additional information

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

East Africa

Lot No: 4

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79212000 Auditing services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: 00 Other or Not Specified

Main site or place of performance: Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique and Rwanda.

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Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

III.1.1. Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions:

The auditor is required to meet the following minimum specifications:

- the auditor will have a physical presence (a functioning commercial office) in one or more of the countries in the P4F Region(s) that they are bidding for,
- the auditor will be sufficiently experienced, qualified and familiar with local laws, practises and regulations to be able to conduct audit assignments to the auditing standards of each country in the P4F Region(s) that they are bidding for,
- the auditor will have sufficient staff capacity to be able to conduct an audit assignment within 30 days of a call down,

In addition, the Auditor is required to meet one of the following minimum specifications:

- the auditor is a member of a national accounting or auditing body or institution which in turn is member of the International Federation of Accountants (IFAC),
- the auditor is a member of a national accounting or auditing body or institution. Although this organisation is not member of the IFAC, the Auditor commits him/herself to undertake this engagement in accordance with the IFAC standards and ethics,
- the auditor is registered as a statutory auditor in the public register of a public oversight body in an EU member state in accordance with the principles of public oversight set out in Directive 2006/43/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (this applies to auditors and audit firms based in an EU member state),
- the auditor is registered as a statutory auditor in the public register of a public oversight body in a third country and this register is subject to principles of public oversight as set out in the legislation of the country concerned, (this applies to auditors and audit firms based in a third country)

The auditor is expected to provide details and CVs for the nominated personnel. The nominated personnel will be the partner(s) or other senior person(s) within the auditor's organisation who is accountable for the engagement and for the report that is issued to Palladium upon completion of each audit assignment.

Each Nominated Personnel is expected to have:

- experience in carrying out audits of DFID or other Donor Government (e.g. USAID, European Union, AFD etc.) or Multilateral funded international aid projects that include a grant component.
- the necessary qualifications, certifications and registrations to oversee the conducting of audit assignments in each of the countries within the P4F Region(s) the Auditor is bidding for.

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.2.3. 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

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement
Framework agreement with a single operator

IV.1.8. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2. Administrative information

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

Date: 27/04/2018 Local time: 17:00

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

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

English

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

Duration in months: 1 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 30/04/2018 Local time: 09:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Palladium International Ltd
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Internet address: <https://partnershipsforforests.com/2018/03/26/procurement-for-an-auditor/>

VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Procurement timetable and details of tender review procedure included in the procurement documents.

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

26/03/2018