

UK-Bristol: engineering-related scientific and technical services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Vehicle and Operator Services Agency

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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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

I.3. Main activity

Other: Transport

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

Timing Studies - Provision of Work Measurement Engineers.

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

NUTS code UK United Kingdom

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4. Information about framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 4

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 50 000 and 1 000 000 GBP

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

Engineering-related scientific and technical services. Technical services. The Vehicle and Operator Services Agency (VOSA) is the Government Agency responsible for statutory annual testing of heavy vehicles at Goods Vehicle Testing Stations (GVTS) and Authorised Testing Facilities (ATF) situated throughout Great Britain.

Timing studies of the Heavy Goods Vehicles (HGV) test have been carried out previously, and the results used to provide information for an electronic booking system and other business needs. VOSA is now in the process of conducting another timing exercise after implementing changes into the annual testing standards currently used. VOSA are currently conducting nearly fifty percent of all annual tests at Authorised facilities and will require the timing exercise to reflect the current working practices. The Public service vehicles (PSV) have not been included in recent timing exercises and now require assessing to establish an accurate time for testing this category of vehicle.

VOSA in the past have enjoyed the benefit of being able to use internal staff, trained in basic work measurement principles along with also holding a valid pace rating accreditation. At this present time however, internal resource is not now available and so there is now a need to bring in outside assistance to complete this work.

In preparation for this particular area of work, the sample sizes required, and the locations to be visited will have been set by the Department for Transport's (DFT) own In House Analytical Consultancy Unit (IHAC) in conjunction with VOSA's Senior user.

The data from the individual tests will be sent back to IHAC for analysis.

The contractor shall be expected to provide VOSA with the principle resource required to complete the exercise in a reasonable time span. The requirements are:

1. To provide a lead Work Measurement Engineer with a valid pace rating accreditation to BS100 standards, who will conduct observations using a electronic study board and VOSA's Work Study Programme to record the results, collate the data from other engineers involved in the project, Liaise with VOSA's own Work Measurement Engineer to compile a schedule of visits, check the accuracy of the data collected, and then to compile and send electronically the data in an EXCEL format ready for IHAC to process and analyse. The lead contractor will also be responsible for ensuring the other Work Measurement Engineers complete the work as required, informing the VOSA Senior User of any problems developing. The Lead Engineer will also liaise with representatives of VOSA Testing and Inspection and Trade Union Side as required.

2. To Provide Work Measurement Engineers as required, each with a valid pace rating accreditation to BS100 who will carry out observations using an electronic Study Board for the initial data capture and VOSA's Work Study Programme to process the results.

The Contractor shall be expected to have a system in place to allow the continuation of recording the observations if an electronic board fails whilst on site.

The Contractor shall be expected to have a contingency in place to be able to continue with the agreed work plan in case an Engineer or Engineers are unable to work.

The initial work will cover HGV and PSV testing, any future areas of work may also cover other testing schemes or administration work within the agency.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

71350000 Engineering-related scientific and technical services, 71356000 Technical services

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: no

II.1.9. Information about variants

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

This framework agreement will be for a period of four years. The estimated value for the four years is between 100 - 1 000 000 GBP. This agreement is primarily for VOSA but it is also available for use by other Contracting Authorities which make up the Department for Transport and its associated bodies, which includes its executive agencies and other non-Departmental Public Bodies its sponsors; and for use by other Government Departments. Should other parties utilise this agreement it is not envisaged to exceed 5 000 000 GBP. At the time of placing this advertisement VOSA has not received notification of interest from any other Government quarter.

II.2.2. Information about options

II.2.3. Information about renewals

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

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

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

III.2. Conditions for participation

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

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

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

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

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Restricted

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

Envisaged minimum number 5: and Maximum number 8

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

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

016/005/3094

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

no

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

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

28.9.2012 - 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

IV.3.8. Conditions for opening of tenders

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

VI.2. Information about European Union funds

VI.3. Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SME's). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement, and the contract will be awarded on

the basis of the most economically advantageous tender. Interested parties must express their interest in this framework agreement by submitting a completed questionnaire which is available upon request from the above address or e-mail by 28.9.2012. GO Reference: GO-2012821-PRO-4173493.

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

21.8.2012