

United Kingdom-Bristol: Electronic auction 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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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

Defence

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**

Electronic Auction Services.

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

NUTS code UKK11 Bristol, City of

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)

Electronic auction services. The MoD has a requirement for the provision of Reverse Auction Services for the period 1.1.2014 to 30.11.2015. The varied nature of MoD procurements means that differing levels and complexity of service may be required. These can be grouped into three broad categories as below. The typical services required under each service level are described, though these may vary from one requirement to another:

— 'Basic' Auction Service If required, formally notify each compliant Tenderer of their eligibility to participate in the Reverse Auction. Provide training and IT assistance to ensure that Tenderers can participate in the Reverse Auction, if they so wish. Answer any questions raised by Tenderers relating to the set-up, management and/or running of the Reverse Auction event Set up/operate Auction Web-Site software as appropriate for a Basic Service Requirement. Ensure that the Auction Web-site is set-up to facilitate viewing of the starting prices by each compliant Tenderer prior (usually one working day) to the date on which the Reverse Auction event is scheduled to take place, but not to permit any bidding activity. Handle bid spreadsheets provided by MoD, but refer any queries raised by bidders to MoD. Host the Reverse Auction event at a MoD or other location. Provide proxy-bidding system, in case of any bidder experiencing difficulty or technical breakdown during the Reverse Auction. Provide summary details of bidders invited and bids received during the Reverse Auction. Produce financial and management summaries as may reasonably be requested by MoD.

— 'Full' Auction Service This consists of all those services listed under the Basic Service plus: Research to identify new additional suppliers for potential inclusion on the Tender List. Provide Market Strategy Advice, including Lotting proposals, in order to fully maximise the potential for cost savings to be achieved. Review historic item/service data provided by MoD to highlight any obvious discrepancies or omissions in detail, make recommendations on the number and composition of Lots and to support the development of electronic pricing spreadsheets. Develop, or assist with development of, any electronic pricing spreadsheeting requirements. If relevant provide advice on the development of weightings for a Reverse Auction, where one or more non-price factors are to be taken into account, in order to ensure that these can be applied to the supply line items/services being procured. If required, contact tendering companies to remind them to ensure any intended response is submitted before the ITT closing date. Analyse all pricing data that MoD receives from those companies responding to the ITT in order to highlight any obvious discrepancies or omissions and, where necessary, to recommend any changes to the intended number and composition of Lots. Set up/operate Auction Web-Site software as appropriate for a Full Service Requirement.

— 'Complex' Auction Service This includes all the Full and Basic Services plus: Detailed data Scrutiny and Research to clarify and verify the content of each MoD provided specification. Detailed data scrutiny to verify the accuracy of any historic item data provided by MoD, so as to ensure that the recommended Lotting strategy and/or complex Cost Model is robust. Assist with review of the Reverse Auction process including development of complex Cost Models.

— Main Place of Performance or Delivery: Primarily Bristol, although the services will also be required at other locations within the UK.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

79342410 Electronic auction 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

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2. Scope of the procurement

II.2.1. Total quantity or scope

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 200 000 and 300 000 GBP

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: Two further 12 month option periods to 30.11.2016 and 30.11.2017 are under consideration.

Provisional timetable for recourse to these options:
in months: 20 (from the award of the contract)

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

List and brief description of conditions: The contractor will be required to operate systems which conform to Impact Level 2 or equivalent.

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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Accelerated restricted

Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure: Please note that this requirement is for services classified as Part B within Schedule 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations, and the procurement will not therefore follow one of the prescribed procedures. However, the requirement is being advertised in the OJEU, and the procurement will otherwise be run, in line with the EU Treaty Principles of transparency and fairness.

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

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

AUCTIONS/007

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: 18.10.2013 - 23:59

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

14.11.2013 - 10:00

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

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

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). 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. Suppliers interested in working with the Ministry of Defence should register on the MOD Supplier Information Database (SID) Register, available at: www.contracts.mod.uk The MOD SID is a database of active and potential suppliers available to all MOD and UK Defence procurement personnel, and is the main supplier database of MOD Procurement organisations. Please note: the registration and publication of a company profile on the MOD SID does not mean or imply that the supplier has in any way been vetted or approved by the MOD. Suppliers wishing to compete for advertised MOD contracts must respond to any specific call for competition by submitting a separate expression of interest in accordance with the instructions of the purchasing organisation.

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VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: DE&S Commercial, DE&S

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

26.9.2013