

United Kingdom-Galashiels: Financial systems software package

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC**Section I: Contracting authority**

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Scottish Public Pensions Agency

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Postal code: TD1 3TE

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Internet address(es):General address of the contracting authority: <http://www.sppa.gov.uk/>Address of the buyer profile: http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00385Electronic access to information: www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.ukElectronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk**Additional information can be obtained from:**

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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

General public services

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

Public Pensions Administration Software.

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

Services

Service category No 7: Computer and related services

Main site or place of performance: Scottish Public Pensions Agency.

NUTS code UKM24 Scottish Borders

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)

The Scottish Public Pensions Agency (SPPA) is an Agency of the Scottish Government. Its' principal role is to administer the pensions, premature retirement and injury benefit schemes for employees of the National Health Service in Scotland (NHSS) and for members of the Scottish Teachers' Superannuation Scheme (STSS). This existing service will be extended by April 2015 to include the two Firefighters Pension Schemes and two Police Pension Schemes in Scotland.

The number of active members for each of the schemes is currently as follows:

- NHSS circa 164k;
- STSS circa 79k;
- Firefighters Scheme 4k;
- Police Scheme 17k.
- The number of deferred members is as follows:
 - NHSS circa 57k;
 - STSS circa 16k;
 - Firefighters Scheme 520;
 - Police Scheme 2k.
- The number of pensioners is as follows:
 - NHSS circa 83k;
 - STSS circa 68k;
 - Firefighters Scheme 4k;
 - Police Scheme 15k;

The SPPA is seeking to procure an integrated software solution which supports a key objective of the Agency to transform the Customer Experience. The solution must have the necessary functionality to cover the entire pensions life cycle, which includes pensions administration and payroll and digital services for scheme members, deferred members and pensioners (Customers).

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The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

II.1.6. CPV code(s)

48442000 Financial systems software package, 48812000 Financial information systems, 66520000 Pension services, 66523100 Pension fund administration services, 66500000 Insurance and pension 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

The scope is for the supply of an integrated pension administration software solution which incorporates pensions administration and payroll, and customer digital services.

II.2.2. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options: The development of integrated employer contribution collection digital solution may be incorporated at a later date.

II.2.3. Information about renewals

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Start 1.9.2015. Completion 30.10.2029

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

Interim Payments on successful completion of agreed milestones.

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

Any contract will be entered into with the nominated lead organisation and all members of the consortium, who will in these circumstances be required to execute said contract together with all ancillary documentation, evidencing their joint and several liability in respect of the obligations and liabilities of the contract. It will be for members of the consortium to sort out their respective duties and liabilities amongst each other. For administrative purposes, any associated documentation will be sent to the nominated lead organisation.

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: As per the tender documentation. Candidates may be excluded in accordance with Regulation 23 of The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012.

III.2.2. Economic and financial ability

List and brief description of conditions: As detailed in the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire.

III.2.3. Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of conditions:

As per tender documentation.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

To progress through the selection stage bidders must be able to provide at least one example, of a contract from the past 3 years, which uses their integrated Pensions Administration & Pensions Payroll software solution.

This minimum requirement relates only to integrated pension administration and pensions payroll and may or may not include customer digital services.

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

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: The criteria identified in the Pre-Qualification Questionnaire will be used to limit the number of candidates.

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

IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Prior information notice

Notice number in the OJ S: [2014/S 57-095172](#) of 21.3.2014

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

16.12.2014 - 12:00

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

2.2.2015

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

Contract will be for the period 1.9.2015 to 31.10.25 with an option to extend for a maximum of 4 years. The extension option to be exercised, if required, by the use of two separate extensions each for a period of 2 years.

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VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

VI.4.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: An economic operator that suffers, or risks suffering, loss or damage attributable to a breach of duty under The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2012 (SSI2012/8) may bring proceedings in the Sheriff Court or the Court of Sessions.

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

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

3.11.2014