

United Kingdom-Warrington: Legal services
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Contract notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Homes and Communities Agency

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Town: Warrington

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Country: United Kingdom

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Main address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/homes-and-communities-agency>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/homes-and-communities-agency>

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login/>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login/>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

National or federal agency/office

I.5. Main activity

Housing and community amenities

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Legal Services Framework.

Reference number: DN300727

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79100000 Legal services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The Homes and Communities Agency (HCA) is seeking to procure a framework agreement of firms of solicitors to provide a range of legal services to support the HCA's land, property and investment activities across England. The framework is to be split into two lots and is entirely separate to the procurement of legal services for regulation activities.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 30 000 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one lot only

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 1

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

Lot No: 1

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79100000 Legal services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The scope of services for Lot 1 includes: Property: including Landlord and Tenant, plot sales, estate

management, release of restrictions and consents; Commercial law: including grant agreements; Banking (Development Finance) and Restructuring (in the event of default); Mortgage enforcement and possession claims; Agricultural law; and Environment Law. Both lots include Real Estate: including Acquisitions, Disposals and Building Leases; Housing: including but not limited to Affordable/Social Housing; Procurement and State Aid; Planning including CPO; Development and Construction; Contracts (goods, works and services); and Litigation. It is envisaged that between 5 and 7 firms will be appointed to this lot.

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: 15 000 000,00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9. Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

Maximum number: 14

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

Lot No: 2

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79100000 Legal services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The scope of services for Lot 2 includes: Commercial Property: Property Finance, Major Infrastructure and Regeneration; Commercial law: including Banking, Venture Capital, Loan Finance, Restructuring (including in the event of distress) and Insolvency; Company law: including SPVs and Joint Ventures; Intellectual Property; Financial Regulation and Taxation; Public/ Administrative Law; and Employment. Both lots include Real Estate: including Acquisitions, Disposals and Building Leases; Housing: including but not limited to Affordable /Social Housing; Procurement and State Aid; Planning including CPO; Development and Construction; Contracts (goods, works and services); and Litigation. It is envisaged that between 3 and 5 firms will be appointed to this lot.

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: 15 000 000,00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 48

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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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:

Refer to Selection Questionnaire (SQ) and Memorandum of Information (Mol).

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.2.2. Contract performance conditions

Refer to Selection Questionnaire (SQ) and Memorandum of Information (Mol).

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted 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 several operators Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 12

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

IV.2. Administrative information

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

Date: 01/11/2017 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

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: yes

VI.3. Additional information

The opportunity can be accessed via the HCA eTendering system. Tenderers wishing to be considered for this contract must register their expression of interest and submit a tender through the HCA eTendering system. If not already registered, candidates should register on the HCA eTendering system at <https://procontract.due-north.com/Login>.

All discussions, meetings and communications will be conducted in English.

The contract will be subject to English law. Tenders and all supporting documents must be priced in GBP and all payments under the contract will be made in GBP.

This procurement and award is subject to the transparency arrangements being adopted by the UK Government. These arrangements include the publication of tender documentation issued by the HCA and the contract between the HCA and supplier. Bidders should highlight any areas they consider commercially sensitive in order for the HCA to be able to honour our transparency obligations without undermining the bidder's commercial interests.

Candidates are advised that the HCA is subject to the Freedom of Information Act 2000 ('The Act'). If a candidate considers that any of the information supplied as part of this procurement procedure should not be disclosed because of its commercial sensitivity, confidential or otherwise, they must, when providing this information, clearly identify the specific information they do not wish to be disclosed and clearly specify the reasons for its sensitivity. The HCA shall take such statements into consideration in the event that it receives a request pursuant to the Act which relates to the information provided by the interested party. Please note, it is insufficient to include a statement of confidentiality encompassing all the information provided in the response.

The HCA takes a zero-tolerance approach to bribery and corruption and sets high standards of impartiality, integrity and objectivity in relation to the stewardship of public funds and the management of its activities. The principles contained within this policy apply to both internal and external audiences, including anyone wishing to undertake business or engage with the HCA. Please refer to our Anti-bribery and Corruption Policy by visiting <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/anti-bribery-and-corruption-policy> for further information.

All dates in this notice are indicative and may be amended.

The NUTS code included in this notice is 'UK'. However, the services will only be procured in England.

Tenders may be submitted for one or both lots, however firms can only be appointed to one lot.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Homes and Communities Agency

Postal address: Arpley House, 110 Birchwood Boulevard, Birchwood

Town: Warrington

Postal code: WA3 7QH

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

29/09/2017