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**Ireland-Dublin: Telecommunications equipment and supplies  
2023/S 178-553829**

**Contract notice – utilities**

**Supplies**

**Legal Basis:**

Directive 2014/25/EU

**Section I: Contracting entity**

**I.1) Name and addresses**

Official name: Electricity Supply Board ESB

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Town: Dublin

NUTS code: IE Éire / Ireland

Postal code: D02 KT92

Country: Ireland

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**Internet address(es):**

Main address: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=2397571>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://www.etenders.gov.ie/epps/cft/listContractDocuments.do?resourceId=2397571>

**I.6) Main activity**

Electricity

**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title:**

SSCON6794 - Supply and support of Telecom optical and Networking equipment for the ESB Telecom National Network

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

32500000 Telecommunications equipment and supplies

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description:**

The Contracting Entity intends to procure a replacement technology vendor for its existing carrier national network. It is intended that contracts will be awarded based on each respective Lot as outlined below. Including Supply, Design, Implement, Spares Management, Field Support and 2nd and 3rd level remote support

services. It is proposed that the Contract will include (non-exhaustive list – high level scope): Lot 1 – First Line Maintenance and Spare Inventory Management Description of services required: 1. Spares Inventory Management – Distribution of spare part to site within 4 hours Service Level Agreement (SLA). Return Material Authoriser to technology vendor (RMA Service). Manage and control stock levels and issue regular monthly reports and Inventory transactions. Also responsible for managing software levels on spare parts (Software and Firmware). 2. First Line Maintenance – Engineer on site within 4 hours, with nation-wide coverage. Service level agreement (SLA) is 24 for 7 for 365 days a year. Sites are typically Datacentres located in Dublin, ESB Core locations (21), PoP sites (50) and ESB Telecom customer sites. Lot 2 – Supply and support of Network Infrastructure (Hardware and Software) Description of services required: 1. ROADM – Supply of hardware and software, Commissioning, Provisioning and operational support of national optical platform 2. Layer 2and 3 - Supply of hardware and software, Commissioning, Provisioning and operational support of national network. 3. Management Estate (Element Node Manager, performance monitoring, Asset Management

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: 3 000 000.00 EUR

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: yes  
Tenders may be submitted for one lot only

II.2) **Description**

II.2.1) **Title:**

Lot 1 – First Line Maintenance and Spare Inventory Management  
Lot No: 1

II.2.2) **Additional CPV code(s)**

32420000 Network equipment  
48200000 Networking, Internet and intranet software package

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: IE Éire / Ireland

II.2.4) **Description of the procurement:**

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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**

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

Duration in months: 60

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Envisaged number of candidates: 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates:

Applicants will be assessed on the quality of their responses to the rules and criteria outlined in the qualification questionnaire and it is anticipated that the top scoring 5 applicants will be invited to tender, subject to that number qualifying.

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: no

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of options:

At the date of issuing this PQQ, it is envisaged that the contract will be for an initial duration of 3 years with an option to extend up to a further 2 years in one year increments (a potential 5 year contract). The estimated value stated is for a 5 year duration.

**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**

As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.1) Title:**

Lot 2 – Supply and support of Network Infrastructure (Hardware and Software)

Lot No: 2

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

32420000 Network equipment

48200000 Networking, Internet and intranet software package

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code: IE Éire / Ireland

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement:**

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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:

As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571

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.1.4) **Objective rules and criteria for participation**

List and brief description of rules and criteria:

As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571

- III.1.6) **Deposits and guarantees required:**  
As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571
- III.1.7) **Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them:**  
As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571
- III.1.8) **Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:**  
As stated in the Pre Qualification Questionnaire available for download from [www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie) using CFT ID 2397571
- III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**
- III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**  
Will be stated in the RFT.

#### **Section IV: Procedure**

- IV.1) **Description**
- IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**  
Negotiated procedure with prior call for competition
- 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: 2
- 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: 23/10/2023  
Local time: 12:00
- 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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **Section VI: Complementary information**

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**  
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**  
Electronic ordering will be used  
Electronic invoicing will be accepted  
Electronic payment will be used
- VI.3) **Additional information:**  
It is our intention to use the Irish Government Procurement portal ([www.etenders.gov.ie](http://www.etenders.gov.ie)) for this competition. Access to this Portal is free of charge. Interested parties must formally register their expression of interest for this competition on eTenders before they can gain access to the PQQ documentation. All information relating

to and including the pre-qualification documents, any clarifications and changes will be issued/published via this portal. The contracting entity will not accept responsibility for information relayed (or not relayed) via third parties 2) This is the sole call for competition for this service. 3) The contracting entity will not be responsible for any costs, charges or expenses incurred by candidates or tenders. 4) Contract award will be subject to the approval of the competent authorities. 5) It will be a condition of award that candidates are tax compliant. 6) At its absolute discretion, the contracting entity may elect to terminate this procurement process or any contract awarded at any time. 7) Please note in relation to all documents, that where reference is made to a particular standard, make, source, process, trademark, type or patent, this this is not to be regarded as a de facto requirement. In all cases it should be understood that such indications are to be treated strictly and solely for reference purposes only, to which the words "or equivalent" will always be appended. 8) Without prejudice to the principle of equal treatment, the contracting entity is not obliged to engage in a clarification process in respect of questionnaires with missing or incomplete information. Therefore, candidates are advised to ensure that they return fully completed questionnaires in order to avoid the risk of elimination from the competition.

VI.4) **Procedures for review**

VI.4.1) **Review body**

Official name: Chief Registrar  
Postal address: Four Courts, Inns Quay  
Town: Dublin  
Country: Ireland  
Telephone: +353 18886000  
Internet address: <http://www.courts.ie>

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

12/09/2023