

United Kingdom-London: 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: Legal Aid Agency

Postal address: 102 Petty France, Westminster

Town: London

NUTS code: UKI32 Westminster

Postal code: SW1H 9AJ

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: Civil.Contracts@Justice.gov.uk

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/legal-aid-agency>

I.2. Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3. Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/civil-tender-activity-2020>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://legalaid.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

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

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: Other publicly funded services

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

Procurement of HPCDS Services in England and Wales from 1 February 2021

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79100000 Legal services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

The Legal Aid Agency ('LAA') has identified the need to increase access to legal aid in specific Housing Possession Court Duty Schemes ('HPCDS') in England and Wales. It is inviting applicants to submit a tender for an exclusive schedule under a 2013 standard civil contract (as amended) ('HPCDS Contract or Contract') to deliver the services at the following HPCDS, which were previously funded through non-legal aid agency contracts:

- Bedford,
- Reading.

The LAA is offering one contract in each of the HPCDS listed above.

Due to the urgent need for contracts to be in place to allow services to commence, the timescale from launch to the deadline for submission of tenders has been set at 20 days.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 44 000,00 EUR

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes
Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

Bedford
Lot No: 1

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79100000 Legal services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKH24 Bedford

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

A new tender opportunity for HPCDS services has opened. The deadline for submitting tenders is 5 p.m. 21 December 2020.

The LAA is inviting applicants to submit a tender for an exclusive schedule under a 2013 standard civil contract (as amended) ('HPCDS Contract or Contract') to deliver services at the following HPCDS:

- Bedford.

The LAA is offering one contract in this scheme.

This opportunity is open to all 2018 standard civil contract holders currently delivering housing and debt services and is not limited to current HPCDS providers.

The deadline for submitting tenders is 5 p.m. 21 December 2020 ('Deadline').

Further information on this procurement process including the requirements applicants will need to meet can be found in the relevant Information for applicants (IFA) document.

All tenders must be submitted using the Bravo e-Tendering system, accessed either through a link on the tender pages of the LAA website or directly at: <https://legalaid.bravosolution.co.uk>

Due to the urgent need for contracts to be in place to allow services to commence, the timescale from launch to the deadline for submission of tenders has been set at 20 days.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is a current HPCDS provider / Weighting: 3

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is able to deliver HPCDS Services through an office based in the corresponding housing and debt procurement area which has authorisation in the housing and debt categories of law / Weighting: 3

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is able to deliver HPCDS services from the 1 February 2021 / Weighting: 2

Cost criterion - Name: None / Weighting: 0

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 9 333,33 EUR

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

Start: 01/02/2021 End: 30/09/2021

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Where more than one applicant is tied the LAA will consider the tied applicants' responses to the two Tie Break questions in accordance with paragraph 6.14 and award the contract to the applicant that achieves the highest score for the Tie Break.

II.2. Description

II.2.1. Title

Reading

Lot No: 2

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

79100000 Legal services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKJ11 Berkshire

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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The LAA is inviting applicants to submit a tender for an exclusive schedule under a 2013 standard civil contract (as amended) ('HPCDS Contract or Contract') to deliver services at the following HPCDS:

- Reading.

The LAA is offering one contract in this Scheme.

This opportunity is open to all 2018 standard civil contract holders currently delivering housing and debt services and is not limited to current HPCDS providers.

The deadline for submitting tenders is 5 p.m. 21 December 2020 ('Deadline').

Further information on this procurement process including the requirements applicants will need to meet can be found in the relevant Information for Applicants (IFA) document.

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II.2.5. Award criteria

Criteria below

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is a current HPCDS provider / Weighting: 3

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is able to deliver HPCDS Services through an Office based in the corresponding Housing and Debt Procurement Area which has authorisation in the Housing and Debt Categories of Law / Weighting: 3

Quality criterion - Name: Applicant is able to deliver HPCDS services from the 1 February 2021 / Weighting: 2

Cost criterion - Name: None / Weighting: 0

II.2.6. Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 35 333,33 EUR

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

Start: 01/02/2021 End: 30/09/2021

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Where more than one applicant is tied the LAA will consider the tied applicants' responses to the two Tie Break questions in accordance with paragraph 6.14 and award the contract to the applicant that achieves the highest score for the Tie Break.

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1. Conditions for participation

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

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

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: 21/12/2020 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

IV.2.6. Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Tender must be valid until: 22/12/2020

IV.2.7. Conditions for opening of tenders

Date: 21/12/2020 Local time: 17:01

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

Due to the urgent need for contracts to be in place to allow services to commence, the timescale from launch to the deadline for submission of tenders has been set at 20 days.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Legal Aid Agency
Postal address: 102 Petty France
Town: London
Postal code: SW1H 9AJ
Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR)
Postal address: 70 Fleet Street
Town: London
Postal code: EC4Y 1EU
Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Official name: Legal Aid Agency
Postal address: 102 Petty France
Town: London
Postal code: SW1H 9AJ
Country: United Kingdom
E-mail: civiltenders@justice.gov.uk

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

01/12/2020