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**United Kingdom-London: IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
2020/S 252-638105**

Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Official name: Department for Environment Food and Rural Affairs

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Town: London

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM

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Country: United Kingdom

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Telephone: +44 2072385921

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.gov.uk>

Address of the buyer profile: www.gov.uk

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

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

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title:

Cyber Incident Response Partner

II.1.2) Main CPV code

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II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

DEFRA has a requirement for a Cyber Security Incident Response Partner, based on a retainer service model, to support and augment its existing Cyber Security capabilities. Please refer to the Bidder Pack (ITT) for further detailed information.

II.1.5) **Estimated total value**

II.1.6) **Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) **Description**

II.2.3) **Place of performance**

NUTS code: UK UNITED KINGDOM

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

To protect Defra's existing (and any new) complex IT systems and critical data from increasing cyber risks, an effective cyber security risk management strategy has been developed.

Part of the risk management strategy involves proactively monitoring for cyber risk by creating a Cyber Security Operations Centre and deploying appropriate technologies, processes and controls that are designed to protect systems, networks, programs, devices and data from cyber-attacks.

Defra requires a call-off mechanism (process and contract) of 20 days support, so that Defra can rapidly access specialist cyber incident response related expertise. This call-off mechanism will be used to support and augment Defra's cyber security capabilities, where Defra does not have the appropriate competence or level of expertise.

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: 36

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

2 x 12-month optional renewals at the discretion of the authority.

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**

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:

Please refer to the draft contract included in the bidder pack.

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

Restricted 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: no

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date: 02/03/2021

Local time: 14:00

IV.2.3) Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

Date: 21/12/2020

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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3) Additional information:

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Official name: Courts of England and Wales

Town: London

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period following electronic notification (minimum of 15 calendar days for any other means of communication) to unsuccessful applicants of the award decision. Applicants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the authority as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the applicant was unsuccessful. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the rules to take legal action. Any such action must be brought within the applicable limitation period.

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice:

23/12/2020