

Services Restricted Procedure Notice

SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S) Official name: Department for International Development, Postal Address: Abercrombie House, Eaglesham Road, Town: East Kilbride, Telephone: 01355 843347, E-mail: developmentresearchprocurement@dfid.gov.uk, Contact Point(s): Andrena Craig, For the attention of: Andrena Craig, Postal Code: G75 8EA, Country: UNITED KINGDOM, Fax: 01355 84 3183, General address of the contracting authority (URL): www.dfid.gov.uk, Address of the Buyer Profile (URL): ,

I.1.1) Further information can be obtained at As in I.1.

I.1.2) Specifications and additional documents (including documents for a Dynamic Purchasing System) can be obtained at

I.1.3) Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to As in I.1.

I.2.1) Type of contracting authority Other

If 'other' please specify Central Level

I.2.2) Main activity or activities

General Public Services

If 'other' please specify

I.2.2) 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 UK-East Kilbride: HRPC10: Tackling the Structural Drivers of the HIV Epidemic

II.1.2) Service Category 11.

II.1.2.1) Main place of performance Global

NUTS Code

II.1.3) The notice involves A public contract

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement (if appropriate)

Number

OR, if applicable, maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged

II.1.4.1) Duration of the framework agreement (if appropriate)

Period in year(s)

OR month(s)

Justification for a framework agreement the duration of which exceeds four years

II.1.4.2) Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement (give figures only)

Estimated value excluding VAT

OR range: between

and

Currency

Frequency and value of the contracts to be awarded (if possible)

II.1.5) Short Description of the contract or purchase(s) DFID is seeking Expressions of Interest (EOIs) from suppliers to lead a consortium of organisations with multi-disciplinary skills in the theme "Tackling the Structural Drivers of the HIV Epidemic". DFID is looking for innovative, strategic research in response to this theme that will build upon the existing evidence base and provide new knowledge on how to shape effective service delivery and strengthen health systems in the future. This theme is one of 3 Health Research Programme Consortia being advertised simultaneously with the purpose to generate new policy relevant knowledge that will help DFID and the wider development community eradicate world poverty. It is expected that contracts will be awarded under all 3 themes and more than 1 contract may be awarded under each theme. Suppliers are free to bid for more than contract. Full details are available in the draft Terms of Reference. Research and development services and related consultancy services.

II.1.6) Common Procurement Vocabulary (CPV)

Main Object: 73000000.

II.1.7) Contract covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)? Yes

II.1.8) Division into lots No

If yes, tenders should be submitted for

Lot No

II.1.9) Variants will be accepted Yes

II.2) QUANTITY OR SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope (including all lots and options, if applicable)

If known, estimated value excluding VAT (give figures only) 7500000

OR range: between
and

Currency GBP

II.2.2) Options (if applicable)

If yes, description of these options

If known, provisional timetable for recourse to these options: Period in month(s)
or day(s)

Number of possible renewals (if any):

or Range: between

and

If known, in the case of renewable contracts, estimated time-frame for subsequent contracts: in
month(s)

and/or days (from the award of the contract)

II.3) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT OR TIME PERIOD FOR COMPLETION

Either: Period in months 72 (+24)

And / or days

Or: Starting

And/or ending

SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

III.1) CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required (if applicable)

III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them The contract will be governed by English Law. Prices are not required at EOI stage, however, when required prices must be quoted in GBP and all payments under the contract will be made in GBP. DFID reserves the right to annul the process and not to award a contract. DFID does not provide advance funding, therefore, suppliers will be required to pre-finance all programme activities, before claiming reimbursement from DFID in arrears.

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the grouping of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded (if applicable)

Joint and several liability

III.1.4) Other particular conditions to which performance of the contract is subject (if applicable)

If yes, description of particular conditions

III.2) CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met

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III.2.2) Economic and financial capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met (If applicable)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required (if applicable)

III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met (If applicable)

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required (if applicable)

III.2.4) Reserved Contracts (if applicable)

III.3) CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO SERVICES CONTRACTS

III.3.1) Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession

If yes, reference of the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision

III.3.2) Legal entities should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service Yes

SECTION IV: PROCEDURE

IV.1) TYPE OF PROCEDURE Restricted procedure.

IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators that will be invited to tender or to participate (when applicable)

Envisaged number of operators

Or Envisaged minimum number 3

and, if appropriate, maximum number 5

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Are set out in the Background Document, Section 3, Bidding Arrangements

IV.2) AWARD CRITERIA

IV.2.1) Award criteria (please tick the relevant box(es)) B) The most economically advantageous tender in

terms of:

B1) the criteria as stated below:

- 1) Quality and Importance of Research. Weighting: 30.
 - 2) Consortium Members' Track Record, Skills and Expertise. Weighting: 20.
 - 3) Conduct of Research. Weighting: 10.
 - 4) Communications Plans. Weighting: 10.
 - 5) Capacity Building Plans. Weighting: 10.
 - 6) Commercial Evaluation . Weighting: 20.
- In descending order of priority: No.

IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used No

If yes, additional information about electronic auction (if appropriate)

IV.3) ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

IV.3.1 File reference number attributed by the contracting entity (if applicable) HRPC10: Tackling the Structural Drivers of the HIV Epidemic

IV.3.2) Previous publication concerning the same contract No

If yes:

IV.3.2.1) Notice number in OJ:

Of

IV.3.2.2) Other previous publications

Notice number in OJ:

Of

IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents (except for a DPS)

Time-limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents

Time:

Payable documents

If yes, Price (give figures only):

Currency

Terms and method of payment

IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date 23/04/2010

Time 12:00

IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates 07/06/2010

IV.3.6) Language(s) in which tenders or requests to participate may be drawn up English

Other - third country

IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders

IV.3.8.1) Date, time and place

Date

Time

Place (if applicable)

IV.3.8.2) Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders (if applicable)

If yes, authorised persons

SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VI.1) THIS IS A RECURRENT PROCUREMENT (if applicable)

If yes, estimated timing for further notices to be published:

VI.2) CONTRACT(S) RELATED TO A PROJECT AND / OR PROGRAMME FINANCED BY EU FUNDS

If yes, reference to project(s) and / or programme(s)

VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (if applicable) EOIs must be submitted by email to

developmentresearchprocurement@dfid.gov.uk, in the format set out in the Background Document available from <http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Working-with-DFID/Procurement/Current-contract-opportunities1/> The draft project specific Terms of Reference, Generic RPC Terms of Reference and other supporting documents can also be found at the website address. Abridged CVs of no more than two A4 pages for each key person should also be included. DFID Research and Evidence Division must not be contacted directly. Following assessment of EOIs DFID will invite short-listed applicants to submit full technical and commercial proposals. DFID will inform all applicants on the outcome of their Expression of Interest. The contract will initially run for up to 6 years with the possibility of extension for up to a further 24 months, subject to continuing need and satisfactory performance of the supplier. From 1 April 2001 all UK development assistance has been fully untied, which allows suppliers from anywhere in the world to bid for DFID contracts.

VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL

VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures

Body responsible for mediation procedures (if applicable)

VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals (please fill heading VI.4.2 OR if need be, heading VI.4.3)

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:

VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained

VI.5) DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE 25/01/2010

END OF NOTICE