

**CONTRACT NOTICE**  
**Home Office Biometric Matcher Platform and associated Services**  
 Directive 2014/24/EU

**SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

**I.1) NAME AND ADDRESSES (PLEASE IDENTIFY ALL CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROCEDURE)**

<b>Official name</b> Secretary of State for the Home Department			<b>National registration number</b> _____
<b>Postal address</b> 49 Sydenham Road			
<b>Town</b> Croydon	<b>NUTS code</b> UKI1	<b>Postal code</b> CR0 2EU	<b>Country</b> United Kingdom
<b>Contact person</b> Matcher Commercial Team			<b>Telephone</b> _____
<b>Email</b> HOBMatcherBids@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk			<b>Fax</b> _____
<b>Internet address(es)</b> <b>Main address (URL)</b> <a href="http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office">http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/home-office</a> <b>Address of the buyer profile (URL)</b> <a href="https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/sso/jsp/login.jsp">https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/sso/jsp/login.jsp</a>			

**I.2) JOINT PROCUREMENT**

<b>The contract involves joint procurement</b> No
<b>The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body</b> No

**I.3) COMMUNICATION**

<b>Procurement documents</b> Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at: (URL)
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<https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk><https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk>

**Additional Information can be obtained from**

As in above mentioned address

**Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted**

As in above mentioned address

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: (URL)

<https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/sso/jsp/login.jsp>

**I.4) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY**

**Contracting authority**

Ministry or any other National or Federal Authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

**I.5) MAIN ACTIVITY**

**Main Activity**

Public Order and Safety

## SECTION II: OBJECT OF CONTRACT

### II.1) SCOPE OF THE PROCUREMENT

#### II.1.1) TITLE

**Title**

Home Office Biometric Matcher Platform and associated Services

**Reference number**  

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#### II.1.2) MAIN CPV CODE

**Main CPV code****Main Vocabulary****Supplementary Vocabulary****Code****Description****Code****Description**

72000000

IT services: consulting, software development,  
Internet and support

#### II.1.3) TYPE OF CONTRACT

**Type of contract**

SERVICES

#### II.1.4) SHORT DESCRIPTION

The Contracting Authority intends to identify an Economic Operator(s) to provide the Biometric Matcher Platform & associated Services (BMPS). BMPS delivers across multiple biometric modalities and data sets (which shall include, but not limited to, immigration, citizenship, law enforcement) as part of Home Office Biometrics (HOB) programme. There are two distinct parts to the BMPS: (i) A technology platform and Biometric Matcher Service Bus; and (ii) Biometric Matching algorithm(s) that are integrated into the platform.

#### II.1.5) ESTIMATED TOTAL VALUE

**Value excluding VAT**

55,000,000.00 GBP

#### II.1.6) INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS

**Division into lots**

Yes

**Tenders may be submitted for**

maximum number of lots: 3

Maximum number of lots that may be awarded to one tenderer: 2

The contracting authority reserves the right to award contracts combining the following lots or groups of lots:

The MSS supplier must be independent from the MES supplier(s) such that: •the legal entity bidding (or a Key Subcontractor involved in such a bid) for Lot 1 cannot also bid for either of Lot 2 or Lot 3 and vice

versa;and •a legal entity bidding for Lot 2 and/or Lot 3 can win any or both of Lot 2 & Lot 3 by bidding for each of those lots separately and winning that lot on the merits of that bid.

## II.2: INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS

### II.2.1) LOT TITLE

<b>Title</b> Matcher Service Supplier (MSS)
<b>Lot no</b> 1

### II.2.2) ADDITIONAL CPV CODE(S)

Additional CPV code(s)			
Main Vocabulary		Supplementary Vocabulary	
Code	Description	Code	Description
72300000	Data services		
72200000	Software programming and consultancy services		
72100000	Hardware consultancy services		

### II.2.3) PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

<b>NUTS code and name</b> UKI1 - Inner London
<b>Main site or place of performance</b> _____ _____ _____

### II.2.4) DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCUREMENT

<b>Description</b> Lot 1 - Matcher Service Supplier (MSS) will be selected to provide the MSP and associated Services: Matcher Service Platform including a Service Bus, Biometric Workflow, Service interface, integration of Matching Engine Software and infrastructure platform; • Service operation of the overall BMPS including ITIL functions in collaboration with the Authority and other Third Party Suppliers; • Professional Services including design, guidance, technical specifications, roadmaps, models, planning and hosting requirements for the Matcher Service Platform; • Development and testing of the Matcher Service Platform and Service operations; • Operation of regular Biometric Accuracy Testing; • Collaboration with Matcher Engine Software supplier(s) to provide build, test and operation of the Matcher Service Platform; • Support the migration of biometric data from legacy systems; and • Early Life Support and ongoing Level 2, Level 3 & Level 4 Support.
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### II.2.5) AWARD CRITERIA

<b>Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents</b>
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### II.2.6) ESTIMATED VALUE

**Value excluding VAT**

40,000,000.00 GBP

**II.2.7) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT, FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OR DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM****Duration**

60 MONTH

**This contract is subject to renewal**

Yes

**Description of renewals**

Renewals after an Initial Term of 60 months.

**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**

In each lot the top ranking responses that meet the minimum overall weighted score criteria will be selected for the ITT stage. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to take through a maximum of five (5) Bidders. Further information about the procurement procedure adopted is provided in the ITT documentation set.

**II.2.10) INFORMATION ABOUT VARIANTS****Variants will be accepted**

No

**II.2.11) INFORMATION ABOUT OPTIONS****Options**

Yes

**Description of options**

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the initial term for a further period of twenty four (24) months and an additional twelve (12) months. Therefore, the total potential term of the contract is ninety six (96) months from the effective date.

**II.2.12) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC CATALOGUES****Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue**

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

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to amend the scale of the requirements at any time during the procurement process, or over the term of the contracts to provide additional BMPS to future modalities and similarly the Economic Operators appointed may also be required to extend BMPS to support any other Central Government Body's.

## II.2: INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS

### II.2.1) LOT TITLE

<b>Title</b> Matching Engine Software (MES) (minutiae based)
<b>Lot no</b> 2

### II.2.2) ADDITIONAL CPV CODE(S)

Additional CPV code(s)		Supplementary Vocabulary	
Main Vocabulary			
Code	Description	Code	Description
72300000	Data services		
72100000	Hardware consultancy services		
72200000	Software programming and consultancy services		

### II.2.3) PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

<b>NUTS code and name</b> UKI1 - Inner London
<b>Main site or place of performance</b> _____ _____ _____

### II.2.4) DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCUREMENT

<b>Description</b> Lot 2 Matching Engine Software (MES) (minutiae based) Supplier(s) will be selected to provide the following: • Matching Engine Software (minutiae based) for biometric matching of finger Ten-print, palm print and latent marks to support verification, search and de-duplication of biometric records; • Professional Services including design, guidance and technical specifications for the Matcher Engine Software; • Collaboration with the MSS; • Early Life Support; and • Ongoing Level 4 Support of the MES; and • Provision of a software licence to deliver the Services to the Contracting Authority and any other Central Government Body's.
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### II.2.5) AWARD CRITERIA

<b>Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents</b>
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### II.2.6) ESTIMATED VALUE

<b>Value excluding VAT</b>
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13,000,000.00 GBP

## II.2.7) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT, FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OR DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM

### **Duration**

60 MONTH

### **This contract is subject to renewal**

Yes

### **Description of renewals**

Renewals after an Initial Term of 60 months.

## 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**

In each lot the top ranking responses that meet the minimum overall weighted score criteria will be selected for the ITT stage. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to take through a maximum of five (5) Bidders. Further information about the procurement procedure adopted is provided in the ITT documentation set.

## II.2.10) INFORMATION ABOUT VARIANTS

### **Variants will be accepted**

No

## II.2.11) INFORMATION ABOUT OPTIONS

### **Options**

Yes

### **Description of options**

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the initial term for a further period of twenty four (24) months and an additional twelve (12) months. Therefore, the total potential term of the contract is ninety six (96) months from the effective date.

## II.2.12) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC CATALOGUES

### **Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue**

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

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to amend the scale of the requirements at any time during the procurement process, or over the term of the contracts to provide additional BMPS to future modalities and similarly the Economic Operators appointed may also be required to extend BMPS to support any other Central Government Body's.

## II.2: INFORMATION ABOUT LOTS

### II.2.1) LOT TITLE

<b>Title</b> Matching Engine Software (MES) (orthogonal)
<b>Lot no</b> 3

### II.2.2) ADDITIONAL CPV CODE(S)

Additional CPV code(s)	
Main Vocabulary	
Code	Description
72200000	Software programming and consultancy services
72300000	Data services
72100000	Hardware consultancy services

Supplementary Vocabulary	
Code	Description

### II.2.3) PLACE OF PERFORMANCE

<b>NUTS code and name</b> UKI1 - Inner London
<b>Main site or place of performance</b> _____ _____ _____

### II.2.4) DESCRIPTION OF THE PROCUREMENT

<b>Description</b> Lot 3 Matching Engine Software (MES) (orthogonal) Supplier(s) will be selected to provide the following: • Matching Engine Software (orthogonal) for matching and re-ranking of Ten-print, palm print and latent marks to support biometric searches of biometric records; • Professional Services including design, guidance and technical specifications for the Matcher Engine Software; • Collaboration with the MSS; • Early Life Support; • Ongoing Level 4 Support of the MES; and • Provision of a software licence to deliver the Services to the Contracting Authority and any other Central Government Body's.
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### II.2.5) AWARD CRITERIA

<b>Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents</b>
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### II.2.6) ESTIMATED VALUE

<b>Value excluding VAT</b> 2,000,000.00 GBP
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## II.2.7) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT, FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OR DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM

**Duration**

60 MONTH

**This contract is subject to renewal**

Yes

**Description of renewals**

Renewal after an Initial Term of 60 months.

## 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**

In each lot the top ranking responses that meet the minimum overall weighted score criteria will be selected for the ITT stage. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to take through a maximum of five (5) Bidders. Further information about the procurement procedure adopted is provided in the ITT documentation set.

## II.2.10) INFORMATION ABOUT VARIANTS

**Variants will be accepted**

No

## II.2.11) INFORMATION ABOUT OPTIONS

**Options**

Yes

**Description of options**

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to extend the initial term for a further period of twenty four (24) months and an additional twelve (12) months. Therefore, the total potential term of the contract is ninety six (96) months from the effective date.

## II.2.12) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC CATALOGUES

**Tenders must be presented in the form of electronic catalogues or include an electronic catalogue**

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

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to amend the scale of the requirements at any time during the procurement process, or over the term of the contracts to provide additional BMPS to future modalities and similarly the Economic Operators appointed may also be required to extend BMPS to support any other Central Government Body's.

### SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL & 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**

The Contracting Authority's requirements will be set out in the Selection Questionnaire (SQ) and/or subsequent documents issued during the procurement. A parent company guarantee may be required.

##### III.1.2) ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL STANDING

**Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents**

No

**List and brief description of selection criteria**

The Contracting Authority's requirements will be set out in the Selection Questionnaire (SQ) and/or subsequent documents issued during the procurement.

**Minimum level(s) of Standards possibly required (if applicable):**

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##### III.1.3) TECHNICAL AND PROFESSIONAL ABILITY

**Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents**

No

**List and brief description of selection criteria**

The Contracting Authority's requirements will be set out in the Selection Questionnaire (SQ) and/or subsequent documents issued during the procurement.

**Minimum level(s) of Standards possibly required (if applicable):**

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##### III.1.5) INFORMATION ABOUT RESERVED CONTRACTS

**The contract is reserved to sheltered workshops and economic operators aiming at the social and professional integration of disabled or disadvantaged persons**

No

**The execution of the contract is restricted to the framework of sheltered employment programmes**

No

#### III.2) CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE CONTRACT

### III.2.1) INFORMATION ABOUT A PARTICULAR PROFESSION

**Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession**

No

### III.2.2 CONTRACT PERFORMANCE CONDITIONS

**Contract performance conditions**

The Contracting Authority's requirements will be set out in the SQ and/or subsequent documents issued during the procurement.

### III.2.3) INFORMATION ABOUT STAFF RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PERFORMANCE OF THE CONTRACT

**Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract**

No

## SECTION IV: PROCEDURE

### IV.1.1) TYPE OF PROCEDURE

**Type of Procedure**

Restricted procedure

**Accelerated procedure**

No

### IV.1.3) INFORMATION ABOUT A FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT OR A DYNAMIC PURCHASING SYSTEM

**The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement**

No

**The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system**

No

**The dynamic purchasing system might be used by additional purchasers**

No

### IV.1.6) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC AUCTION

**An electronic auction will be used**

No

### 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.2.1) PREVIOUS PUBLICATION CONCERNING THIS PROCEDURE

**Notice number in the OJ S(One of the following: Prior information notice used as a call for competition; Contract notice; Voluntary ex ante transparency notice)**

2017/S 071-135934

### IV.2.2) TIME LIMIT FOR RECEIPT OF TENDERS OR REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE

**Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

2017-10-05 12:00

### IV.2.3) ESTIMATED DATE OF DISPATCH OF INVITATIONS TO TENDER OR TO PARTICIPATE TO SELECTED CANDIDATES

**Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**

2017-08-25

IV.2.4) LANGUAGES IN WHICH TENDERS OR REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE MAY BE SUBMITTED

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

6Months

**SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

**VI.1) INFORMATION ABOUT RECURRENCE (IF APPLICABLE)**

<b>This is a recurrent procurement</b> No
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**VI.2) INFORMATION ABOUT ELECTRONIC WORKFLOWS**

<b>Electronic ordering will be used</b> No
<b>Electronic invoicing will be accepted</b> No
<b>Electronic payment will be used</b> No

**VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (IF APPLICABLE)**

<b>Additional information</b> 1)This procurement will be managed electronically via the Crown Commercial Service’s eSourcing Suite. How to register on the CCS eSourcing Suite:This can be done online at <a href="https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk">https://gpsesourcing.cabinetoffice.gov.uk</a> by following the link ‘Register for CCS eSourcing’. Please note that, to register, you must have a valid DUNS number (as provided by Dun and Bradstreet) for the organisation which you are registering, who will be entering into a contract if invited to do so. Full instructions for registration and use of the system can be found at: <a href="https://ccs.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/respond-tender">https://ccs.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/i-am-supplier/respond-tender</a> For technical assistance on use of the eSourcing Suite please contact Crown Commercial Service Helpdesk: Freephone: 0345 010 3503 2)Please ensure you have signed off the Non-Disclosure Agreement to access the SQ available on the eSourcing Suite. 3)The Contracting Authority reserves the right to award the contract in whole or in part or not at all as a result of this procurement.
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**VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR REVIEW**

**VI.4.1) Review Body**

<b>Official name</b> N/A		
<b>Postal address</b> _____		
<b>Town</b> N/A	<b>Postal code</b> _____	<b>Country</b> United Kingdom
<b>Email</b> _____		<b>Telephone</b> _____
<b>Internet address (URL)</b> _____		<b>Fax</b> _____

**VI.4.2) Body responsible for Mediation Procedures (if applicable)**

<b>Official name</b> N/A		
<b>Postal address</b> _____		
<b>Town</b> N/A	<b>Postal code</b> _____	<b>Country</b> United Kingdom
<b>Email</b> _____		<b>Telephone</b> _____
<b>Internet address (URL)</b> _____		<b>Fax</b> _____

### VI.4.3) Review Procedure

#### Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will incorporate a stand still period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to the tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of ten (10) calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. Any appeal or request for additional information should be sent to the name and address in Section 1.1. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the high Courts (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

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

<b>Official name</b> N/A		
<b>Postal address</b> _____		
<b>Town</b> N/A	<b>Postal code</b> _____	<b>Country</b> United Kingdom
<b>Email</b> _____		<b>Telephone</b> _____
<b>Internet address (URL)</b> _____		<b>Fax</b> _____

#### VI.5 DATE OF DISPATCH

<b>Date of dispatch of this notice</b> _____
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