

Request for Proposal (RFP) on behalf of MRC

**Subject TIRF Microscope System** 

**Sourcing reference number PR17177** 

## Section 6 – Selection and Award questionnaires Section 6 – Selection questionnaire

#### 6.1 Introduction

The Selection questionnaires are located in the within the e-sourcing tool.

Guidance on completion of the question is available at http://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/Pages/supplier.aspx

# TIRF Microscope System PR17177 Open Procedure

#### Bidder Guidance notes for completion for Parts 1,2,3 and definitions for all sections

- 1. The "authority" means the named Contracting Authority or anyone acting on behalf of the Contracting Authority, that is seeking to invite suitable candidates to participate in this procurement process.
- 2. "You" / "Your" refers to the potential Supplier or Bidder completing this standard Selection Questionnaire i.e. the legal entity responsible for the information provided. The term "potential supplier" is intended to cover any economic operator as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (referred to as the "regulations") and could be a registered company; the lead contact for a group of economic operators; charitable organisation; Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE); Special Purpose Vehicle; or other form of entity.
- 3. Please ensure that all questions are completed in full, and in the format requested. If the question does not apply to you, please state 'N/A'. Should you need to provide additional information in response to the questions, please submit a clearly identified annex.
- 4. The authority recognises that arrangements set out in section 1.2 of the standard Selection Questionnaire, in relation to a group of economic operators (for example, a consortium) and/or use of sub-contractors, may be subject to change and will, therefore, not be finalised until a later date. The lead contact should notify the authority immediately of any change in the proposed arrangements and ensure a completed Part 1 and Part 2 is submitted for any new organisation relied on to meet the selection criteria. The authority will make a revised assessment of the submission based on the updated information.
- 5. For Part 1 and Part 2 every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the self-declaration.

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7. For answers to Part 3 - If you are bidding on behalf of a group, for example, a consortium, or you intend to use sub-contractors, you should complete all of the questions on behalf of the consortium and/ or any sub-contractors, providing one composite response and declaration.

The authority confirms that it will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third parties any information obtained from a named customer contact, other than to the Cabinet Office and/or contracting authorities defined by the regulations, or pursuant to an order of the court or demand made by any competent authority or body where the authority is under a legal or regulatory obligation to make such a disclosure.

PLEASE NOTE THE QUESTIONS ARE NOT NUMBERED SEQUENTIALLY

## **Part 1: Potential supplier Information**

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection shall complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

| Section 1       | Potential supplier information   |                  |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--|------------------|--|--|--|
| Question number | Question   | Response         |  |  |  |
| SEL1.1          | Bidders are required to complete the below table.  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Bidder guidance - The information should be based on the details of the organisation bidding (or organisation acting as lead contact where consortium bid is being submitted). |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Scoring criteria - For information only;   |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Full name of the potential supplier submitting the info  | ormation         |  |  |  |
|                 | Registered office address (if applicable) Registered website address (if applicable)   |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Date of registration in country of origin  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Company registration number (if applicable)  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Charity registration number (if applicable)  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Head office DUNS number (if applicable)  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Registered VAT number  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Trading name(s) that will be used if successful in this  | procurement      |  |  |  |
| SEL1.2          | Please select from the below options to indicate your  | trading status   |  |  |  |
|                 | Bidder Guidance - the Bidder shall select from the fo  | llowing options; |  |  |  |
|                 | i) a public limited company  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | ii) a limited company  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | iii) a limited liability partnership   |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | iv) other partnership  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | v) sole trader vi) Third Sector  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | vii) Other (Please Specify your trading status)  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 |  |                  |  |  |  |
|                 | Scoring Criteria - For information only)   |                  |  |  |  |

| SEL1.3 | SEL1.3 If applicable, is your organisation registered with the appropriate professional or trade register(s) in the member state where it is established?  | Yes □<br>No □<br>N/A □                              |
|--------|--|---|
|        | Bidder guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |   |
|        | Yes - If you responded yes, please provide the relevant details, including the registration number(s).   |   |
|        | No - no further information required   |   |
|        | Scoring Criteria - For Information Only  |   |
| SEL1.4 | SEL1.4 Is it a legal requirement in the state where you are established for you to possess a particular authorisation, or be a member of a particular organisation in order to provide the services specified in this procurement? | Yes □<br>No □                                       |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |   |
|        | Yes - If you responded yes please provide additional details of what is required and confirmation that you have complied with this.  |   |
|        | No - no further information required   |   |
|        | Scoring Criteria - For Information Only  |   |
| SEL1.5 | Please select from the below options to indicate whether any of the following classifications apply to you   | i) Voluntary,<br>Community and<br>Social Enterprise |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall select from the following options   | (VCSE) ii) Micro, Small or                          |
|        | i) Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE)   | Medium Enterprise (SME)*                            |
|        | <ul><li>ii) Micro, Small or Medium Enterprise (SME)*</li><li>iii) Sheltered workshop</li></ul>   | iii) Sheltered<br>workshop                          |
|        | iv) Other (Please Specify in the comments)   | iv) Other (Please Specify in the                    |
|        | Bidder Guidance See EU definition of SME:  | comments)   |
|        | http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sme/facts-figures-analysis/sme-definition/   |   |
|        | Scoring Criteria - For information only  |   |

| SEL1.6 | SEL1.6 - Please detail information concerning Persons of Significant Control (PSC) by uploading an attachment with the following information; i) - Name; ii) - Date of birth; iii) - Nationality; iv) - Country, state or part of the UK where the PSC usually lives; v) - Service address; vi) - The date he or she became a PSC in relation to the company (for existing companies the 6 April 2016 should be used); vii) - Which conditions for being a PSC are met; - Over 25% up to (and including) 50%, - More than 50% and less than 75%, - 75% or more N/A  (Please enter N/A if none of the above are applicable)  Bidder guidance -The Bidder shall complete the below table. Guidance on PSC can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidan ce-to-the-people-with-significant-control-requirements-for-companies-and-limited-liability-partnerships  Scoring criteria - For information only | part of the the PSC of v)- Service vi) - The content of the the psc of vi) - The content of the psc | of birth; nality; nality; ntry, state or ne UK where usually lives; e address; late he or she a PSC in to the (for existing es the 6 April uld be used); ch conditions a PSC are |
|--------|--|--|--|
| SEL1.7 | SEL1.7 Please provide details of your immediate Parent Company (if applicable) by completing the below table.  | i)   | Full Name of Immediate Parent Company  |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall complete the table or answer N/A  Scoring Criteria - for information only   | ii)  | Registered<br>Office<br>Address  |
|        |  | iii)   | Registratio n Number   |
|        |  | iv)  | Head<br>Office<br>DUNS<br>number   |
|        |  | v)   | Head<br>Office<br>VAT<br>Number  |

| SEL1.8 | SEL1.8 Please provide details of your Ultimate Parent Company (if applicable) by completing the below table. | i)   | Full Name<br>of Ultimate<br>Parent<br>Company |
|--------|--|------|---|
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall complete the table or answer N/A  | ii)  | Registered<br>Office<br>Address               |
|        | Scoring Criteria - for information only  | iii) | Registratio n Number                          |
|        |  | iv)  | Head<br>Office<br>DUNS<br>number              |
|        |  | v)   | Head<br>Office<br>VAT<br>Number               |

Please note: A criminal record check for relevant convictions may be undertaken for the preferred suppliers and the persons of significant in control of them.

Please provide the following information about your approach to this procurement:

| Section 1       | Bidding model   |   |
|-----------------|---|---|
| Question number | Question  | Response  |
| SEL1.9          | SEL1.9 Are you bidding as the lead contact for a group of economic operators?  Bidder Guidance - The Bidder Shall answer Yes or no  Yes - If yes, please provide details listed in questions SEL1.10, and to SEL1.11, SEL1.12 Section 2 and 3.  No - If no, and you are a supporting bidder, please provide the name of your group at SEL1.10 for reference purposes, and complete SEL 1.13.  Scoring Criteria - For Information Only | Yes □ No □  If yes, please provide details listed in questions SEL1.10, and to SEL1.11, SEL1.12 Section 2 and 3.  If no, and you are a supporting bidder, please provide the name of your group at SEL1.10 for reference purposes, and complete SEL 1.13. |

| SEL1.10 | SEL1.10 Please provide the name and details of group of economic operators (if applicable)           |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|---------|--|--------------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
|         | Bidder Guidance - the bidder shall include details of the following                                  |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Name of group of group of economic signing a contract, please explain the                            | operators ir if awarded. | ntends to | form a n      | amed si   | ngle legal e | entity prior to |
|         | Scoring Criteria - F   |                          |           | ., =          |           |              |                 |
| SEL1.11 | SEL1.11 Are you of group of economic to use sub-contract   | operators pr             |           | Yes □<br>No □ |           |              |                 |
|         | Bidder Guidance answer yes or no   | - The Bidde              | er Shall  |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Scoring Criteria - F   | or Information           | on Only   |               |           |              |                 |
| SEL1.12 | SEL1.12 If you research subcontracted them to complete   | or as follows            | as an at  | achmen        | t to this | question, w  | e shall ask     |
|         | Name   |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Registered address   |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Trading status   |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Company<br>registration<br>number  |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Head Office<br>DUNS number<br>(if applicable)  |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Registered VAT number  |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | Type of organisation SME (Yes/No)  |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | The role each sub-contractor will take in providing the works and /or supplies e.g. key deliverables |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |
|         | The approximate % of contractual obligations assigned to   |                          |           |               |           |              |                 |

| each     | sub- |  |  |  |
|----------|------|--|--|--|
| contract | tor  |  |  |  |

#### SEL1.13 Contact details and declaration

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted and information contained in this document are correct and accurate.

I declare that, upon request and without delay I will provide the certificates or documentary evidence referred to in this document.

I understand that the information will be used in the selection process to assess my organisation's suitability to be invited to participate further in this procurement.

I understand that the authority may reject this submission in its entirety if there is a failure to answer all the relevant questions fully, or if false/misleading information or content is provided in any section.

I am aware of the consequences of serious misrepresentation.

Bidder guidance Please complete the below table, by adding your signature you confirm that you understand the above statements.

Scoring criteria Mandatory Pass / Fail

| SEL1.13                              | Contact details and declaration |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Question                             | Response                        |
| Contact name                         |                                 |
| Name of organisation                 |                                 |
| Role in organisation                 |                                 |
| Phone number                         |                                 |
| E-mail address                       |                                 |
| Postal address                       |                                 |
| Signature (electronic is acceptable) |                                 |
| Date                                 |                                 |

## **Part 2: Exclusion Grounds**

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

| Section 2       | Grounds for mandatory exclusion   |   |                                  |  |  |
|-----------------|---|---|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Question number | Question  | Response                                  |                                  |  |  |
| SEL2.1          | Regulations 57(1) and (2) The detailed grounds for mandatory exclusion of an organisation are set out on this web page, which should be referred to before completing these questions.                              |   |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Please indicate if, within the past five years person who has powers of representation, do been convicted anywhere in the world of any below and listed on the webpage.   | ecision or cor                            | ntrol in the organisation        |  |  |
| SEL2.2          | SEL2.2 - Participation in a criminal organisation  Yes  No  If Yes please provide details   |   |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer   | 163 01 110                                |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Yes - If you have answered Yes please prodetails as an attachment to this question;   | ovide further                             |                                  |  |  |
|                 | the conviction was for, and the reasons for Identity of who has been convicted. Whe documentation or web addresses please   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·     |                                  |  |  |
|                 | No - Pass   |   |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail  |   |                                  |  |  |
| SEL2.3          | SEL2.3 - Corruption   |   | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide |  |  |
|                 | Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer   | Yes or No                                 | details at                       |  |  |
|                 | Yes - If you have answered Yes please prodetails as an attachment to this question;   | ovide further                             |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Date of conviction, specify which of the groun conviction was for, and the reasons for Identity of who has been convicted. Whe documentation or web addresses please issuing authority and precise reference of the | conviction,<br>n attaching<br>include the |                                  |  |  |
|                 | No - Pass   |   |                                  |  |  |
|                 | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail  |   |                                  |  |  |

| SEL2.4 | SEL2.4 - Fraud  Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer Yes or No  | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |
|--------|--|--|
|        | Yes - If you have answered Yes please provide further details as an attachment to this question;  Date of conviction, specify which of the grounds listed the conviction was for, and the reasons for conviction, Identity of who has been convicted. When attaching documentation or web addresses please include the issuing authority and precise reference of the documents. |  |
|        | No - Pass  |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail   |  |
| SEL2.5 | SEL2.5 - Terrorist Offences or offences link to terrorist activities   | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Yes - If you have answered Yes please provide further details as an attachment to this question;   |  |
|        | Date of conviction, specify which of the grounds listed the conviction was for, and the reasons for conviction, Identity of who has been convicted. When attaching documentation or web addresses please include the issuing authority and precise reference of the documents.   |  |
|        | No - Pass  |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail   |  |
| SEL2.6 | SEL2.6 - Money laundering or Terrorist financing   | Yes □                                    |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer Yes or No  | No □ If Yes please provide details       |
|        | Yes - If you have answered Yes please provide further details as an attachment to this question; Date of conviction, specify which of the grounds listed the conviction was for, and the reasons for conviction, Identity of who has been convicted. When attaching documentation or web addresses please include the issuing authority and precise reference of the documents.  |  |
|        | No - Pass  |  |

|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail   |  |
|--------|--|--|
| SEL2.7 | SEL2.7 - Child Labour and other forms of trafficking in human beings   | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder Shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Yes - If you have answered Yes please provide further details as an attachment to this question;   |  |
|        | Date of conviction, specify which of the grounds listed the conviction was for, and the reasons for conviction, Identity of who has been convicted. When attaching documentation or web addresses please include the issuing authority and precise reference of the documents.   |  |
|        | No – Pass  |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail   |  |
| SEL2.8 | If you have answered Yes to any of the Questions above have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)   | Yes □<br>No □                            |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall provide evidence of all measures taken to demonstrate their self cleaning. The information provided will be taken into account by the authority, in considering whether or not you will be permitted to proceed any further in respect of this procurement.   |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail   |  |
| SEL2.9 | Regulation 57(3)   | Yes 🗆                                    |
|        | Has it been established, for your organisation by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which the organisation is established (if outside the UK), that the organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions? | No 🗆                                     |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Yes - Fail   |  |
|        | No - Pass  |  |
|        | In the event of a bidder responding "Yes" they should provide further details as an attachment to this question. The attachment should also confirm you have paid, or  |  |

have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including where applicable any accrued interest and/or fines. Please Note: The authority reserves the right to use its sole discretion to exclude a potential supplier where it can demonstrate by any appropriate means that the potential supplier is in breach of its obligations relating to the non-payment of taxes or social security contributions.

Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail

| SEL3.1 | SEL3.1 - Grounds for discretionary rejection – The Contracting Authority is entitled to exclude you from further consideration if any of the below discretionary grounds apply but may decide to allow you to proceed further.  |   |    |  |  |
|--------|---|---|----|--|--|
|        | If you cannot provide a compliant answer – (No) to the above questions, it is possible that your application might not be accepted.   |   |    |  |  |
|        | In the event that any of the below do apply please provide an attachment to the question the relevant incident and any remedial action cleaning that has been done. The information into account by the authority, in considering the permitted to proceed any further in response.   | on providing details of on taken including self on provided will be taken g whether or not you will |    |  |  |
|        | The detailed grounds for discretionary excluare set out on https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/sy_data/file/551130/List_of_Mandatory_and_pdf  | stem/uploads/attachment   |    |  |  |
|        | which should be referred to before complet  |   |    |  |  |
|        | Please indicate if, within the past three yea any of the following situations have applied or any other person who has powers of rep control in the organisation.   | to you, your organisation   |    |  |  |
|        | Bidder guidance - Bidders shall answer Yes the requirement and the above guidance   | ney understand this   |    |  |  |
|        |   |   |    |  |  |
| SEL3.2 | SEL3.2 - Breach of environmental obligations?  Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  Bidders answering No will be considered compliant  | Yes □<br>No □<br>If yes please provide detai  | ls |  |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) |   |    |  |  |
|        | Spering Critoria Dosa/fail  |   |    |  |  |

| SEL3.3 | SEL3.3 - Breach of social obligations?   | Yes 🗆                                    |
|--------|--|--|
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No   | No □ If yes please provide details       |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant  |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)                  |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail   |  |
| SEL3.4 | SEL3.4 - Breach of labour law obligations?   | Yes □<br>No □                            |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No   |  |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant  |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)                  |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail   |  |
| SEL3.5 | SEL3.5 - Bankrupt or is the subject of insolvency or winding-up proceedings, where the organisation's assets are being administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement with creditors, where its business activities are suspended or it is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under the laws and regulations of any State? | Yes □ No □ If yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No   |  |

|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant   |  |
|--------|---|--|
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail  |  |
| SEL3.6 | SEL3.6 Guilty of grave professional misconduct?   | Yes □ No □ If yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant   |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail  |  |
| SEL3.7 | SEL3.7 Entered into agreements with other economic operators aimed at distorting competition?   | Yes □ No □ If yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant   |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered   |  |

|        | further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)   |  |
|--------|---|--|
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail  |  |
| SEL3.8 | SEL3.8 Aware of any conflict of interest within the meaning of Regulation 24 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) due to the participation in this procurement procedure?  | Yes □ No □ If yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant   |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) |  |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail  |  |
| SEL3.9 | SEL3.9 Been involved in the preparation of<br>the procurement procedure within the<br>meaning of Regulation 41 of the Public<br>Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)   | Yes □ No □ If yes please provide details |
|        | Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|        | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant   |  |
|        | Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have   |  |

|         | answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)  |  |
|---------|--|--|
|         | Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail   | Yes □                                    |
| SEL3.10 | Prior Performance issuesi  Shown significant or persistent deficiencies in the performance of a substantive requirement under a prior public contract, a prior contract with a contracting entity, or a prior concession contract, which led to early termination of that prior contract, damages or other comparable sanctions?  Bidder guidance: The Bidder shall answer Yes or No   | No □  If yes please provide details      |
|         | Bidders answering No will be considered compliant  Bidders answering Yes will be subject to review as to your suitability to be considered further, in respect of the procurement at the sole discretion of the authority. If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)  Scoring Criteria - Pass/fail |  |
| SEL3.11 | SEL 3.11 The organisation is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required for the verification of the absence of grounds for exclusion or the fulfilment of the selection criteria.  Is the above Statement true of your organisation?  Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No   | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |

| Yes - If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) |  |
|---|--|
| No - Pass   |  |
| Scoring Criteria - Pass/ Fail   |  |

| SEL3.12 | SEL3.12 The organisation has withheld such information as described in SEL3.11   | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |
|---------|--|--|
|         | Is the above Statement true of your organisation?  |  |
|         | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|         | Yes - If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning)  No - Pass |  |
|         |  |  |
|         | Scoring Criteria - Pass/ Fail  |  |
| SEL3.13 | SEL3.13 The organisation is not able to submit supporting documents required under regulation 59 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).  | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |
|         | Is the above Statement true of your organisation?  |  |
|         | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |  |
|         | Yes - If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) No - Pass  |  |
|         | Scoring Criteria - Pass/ Fail  |  |
| SEL3.14 | SEL3.14 The organisation has influenced<br>the decision-making process of the<br>contracting authority to obtain confidential  | Yes □ No □ If Yes please provide details |

information that may confer upon the organisation undue advantages in the procurement procedure, or to negligently provide misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award. Is the above Statement true of your organisation? Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No Yes - If you have answered Yes, explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organisation despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self Cleaning) No - Pass Scoring Criteria - Pass/ Fail

## Part 3: Selection Questions<sup>1</sup>

| Section<br>4 | Economic and Financial Standing   |   |
|--------------|---|---|
|              | Question  | Response  |
| SEL4.1       | SEL4.1 - Are you able to provide a copy of your audited accounts for the last two years, if requested?  If no, can you provide <b>one</b> of the following; a. A statement of the turnover, Profit and Loss Account/Income Statement, Balance Sheet/Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cash Flow for the most recent year of trading for this organisation  b. A statement of the cash flow forecast for the current year and a bank letter outlining the current cash and credit position. c. Alternative means of demonstrating financial status if any of the above are not available (e.g. forecast of turnover for the current year and a statement of funding provided by the owners and/or the bank, charity accruals accounts or an alternative means of demonstrating financial status). | Yes I will provide the attachment(s) if requested |

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|         | Bidder Guidance - The Contracting Authority will make a judgement based on the information provided to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder. The Contracting Authority reserves the right to consider credit check information alongside the response to this question in order to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder.  Pass — The Contracting Authority considers the information provided demonstrates the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.  Fail — The Contracting Authority considers the information provided fails to demonstrate the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.  Bidders are invited to embed their attachments to this question in the 'Bidder response' section.  |                    |
|---------|--|--------------------|
|         | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail   |                    |
| SEL4.2  | SEL4.2 Where we have specified a minimum level of economic and financial standing and/ or a minimum financial threshold within the evaluation criteria for this procurement, please self-certify by answering 'Yes' or 'No' that you meet the requirements set out.  Bidder guidance: The authority will make a judgement based on the information provided to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder.  The authority reserves the right to consider credit check information alongside the response to this question in order to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder.  Pass – The authority considers the information provided demonstrates the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.  Fail – The authority considers the information provided fails to demonstrate the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.  Bidders are invited to embed their attachments to this question in the 'Bidder response' section.  Scoring Criteria - Mandatory pass/fail | Yes \( \) No \( \) |
|         |  |                    |
| 0=1.4.5 | [05] (0.4)   | V =                |
| SEL4.3  | SEL4.3 Are you part of a wider group (e.g. a subsidiary of a holding/parent company)? If yes, please confirm the name of the company and its relationship to you.  | Yes □<br>No □      |

If yes, please confirm if you are able to provide parent company accounts if requested to at a later stage?

If yes, would the ultimate / parent company be willing to provide a guarantee if necessary? If not, would you be able to obtain a guarantee elsewhere ( from a bank?)

Bidder Guidance - If this question does not apply, please respond "N/A".

Please provide your response in the text box below

The Contracting Authority will make a judgement based on the information provided to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder.

The Contracting Authority reserves the right to consider credit check information alongside the response to this question in order to ascertain the financial stability of the Bidder.

Pass – The Contracting Authority considers the information provided demonstrates the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.

Fail – The Contracting Authority considers the information provided fails to demonstrate the financial stability of the Bidder is sufficient to be considered for this procurement.

Bidders are invited to embed their attachments to this question in the 'Bidder response' section.

Any information submitted over and above the specified limit will be disregarded and not evaluated

Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail

#### **Technical and Professional Ability**

### SEL5.1

SEL5.1 - Please provide details of up to three contracts, in any combination from either the public or private sector; voluntary, charity or social enterprise (VCSE) that are relevant to our requirement. VCSEs may include samples of grantfunded work. Contracts for supplies or services should have been performed during the past three years. Works contracts may be from the past five years.

The named contact provided should be able to provide written evidence to confirm the accuracy of the information provided below.

Consortia bids should provide relevant examples of where the consortium has delivered similar requirements. If this is not possible (e.g. the consortium is newly formed or a Special Purpose Vehicle is to be created for this contract) then three separate examples should be provided between the principal

member(s) of the proposed consortium or Special Purpose Vehicle (three examples are not required from each member).

Where the Supplier is a Special Purpose Vehicle, or a managing agent not intending to be the main provider of the supplies or services, the information requested should be provided in respect of the main intended provider(s) or subcontractor(s) who will deliver the contract.

Bidder Guidance - The Bidder shall ensure all reference(s) comply with the requirements of having a similar scope and value to this procurement are still running or have been completed in the last five years (works) and three years (supplies / services) to achieve a pass.

If you cannot provide at least one example, in no more than 500 words please provide an explanation for this e.g. your organisation is a new start-up or you have provided services in the past but not under a contract.

Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail

|                                      | Contract 1 | Contract 2 | Contract 3 |
|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Name of customer organisation        |            |            |            |
| Point of contact in the organisation |            |            |            |
| Position in the organisation         |            |            |            |
| E-mail address                       |            |            |            |
| Description of contract              |            |            |            |
| Contract Start date                  |            |            |            |
| Contract completion date             |            |            |            |
| Estimated contract value             |            |            |            |
|                                      |            |            |            |

| SEL5.2 | SEL5.2 Where you intend to sub-contract a proportion of the contract, please demonstrate how you have previously maintained healthy supply chains with your sub-contractor(s)  |
|--------|--|
|        | Evidence should include, but is not limited to, details of your supply chain management tracking systems to ensure performance of the contract and including prompt payment or membership of the UK Prompt Payment Code (or equivalent schemes in other countries) |

| Bidder guidance – Free text             |
|---|
| Scoring Criteria - For Information Only |
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|        | Modern Slavery Act 2015: Requirements under 2015   | Modern Slavery Act                    |
|--------|--|---------------------------------------|
| SEL5.3 | SEL5.3 Are you a relevant commercial organisation as defined by section 54 ("Transparency in supply chains etc.") of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?  | Yes □<br>N/A □                        |
|        | Bidder guidance - Bidder shall confirm they are or<br>are not a relevant commercial organisation as<br>defined by section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act<br>2015 by answering Yes or No.                                       |                                       |
|        | Yes - Please provide an answer to SEL5.4<br>No - Please answer N/A to SEL5.4   |                                       |
|        | Scoring Criteria - For Information Only  |                                       |
| SEL5.4 | SEL5.4 If you have answered yes to question SEL5.3 are you compliant with the annual reporting requirements contained within Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?  | Yes □ Please provide relevant the url |
|        | If you are subject to the Modern Slavery Act then it is a requirement of the authority in its contractual terms, for you to comply with this obligation including the authority's right of audit under any contract awarded. | Please provide an explanation         |
|        | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall respond Yes or<br>No<br>Yes - Please provide relevant URL or attachment<br>No - Please provide an explanation as an<br>attachment   |                                       |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail   |                                       |

## **Additional Questions**

Suppliers who self-certify that they meet the requirements to these additional questions will be required to provide evidence of this if they are successful at contract award stage.

|        | Insurance   |
|--------|---|
| SEL4.4 | SEL4.4 Please self-certify whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:                                     |
|        | Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £x Public Liability Insurance = £x Professional Indemnity Insurance = £x Product Liability Insurance = £x   |
|        | Bidder Guidance - It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders. |
|        | The Bidder shall answer yes or no   |
|        | Yes= Pass<br>No= Fail   |
|        | Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail  |

|  | Skills and Apprentices <sup>2</sup> –   |               |
|--|---|---------------|
| and above<br>support sk<br>commitmen   | lic procurement of contracts with a full life value of £10 million and duration of 12 months and above should be used to cills development and delivery of the apprenticeship to the the transfer of the can be found at                              |               |
|  | .gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_d<br>305/27_08_15_SkillsApprenticeships_PPN_vfinal.pdf   | Yes □<br>No □ |
| Please confirm if you will be supporting apprenticeships and skills development through this contract.                                   |   |               |
| your commi<br>apprentices  | rou provide at a later stage documentary evidence to support<br>tment to developing and investing in skills, development and<br>hips to build a more skilled and productive workforce and<br>e risks of supply constraints and increasing labour cost |               |
| Bidder guid  | ance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  |               |
| Yes - You confirm you will be supporting apprenticeships and skills development through the contract and can provide evidence at a later |   |               |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Procurement Policy Note 14/15– Supporting Apprenticeships and Skills Through Public Procurement

| developmer<br>workforce a  | stage to support your commitment to developing and investing in skills, development and apprenticeships to build a more skilled and productive workforce and reducing the risks of supply constraints and increasing labour cost inflation.  |               |  |
|--|--|---------------|--|
| No - you confirm you will not be support apprenticeships and Skills development. |  |               |  |
| Scoring Crit   |  |               |  |
| SEL4.6   | SEL4.6 Do you have a process in place to ensure that your supply chain supports skills, development and apprenticeships in line with Procurement Policy Note 14/15 and can provide evidence if requested?  Bidder Guidance - The Bidder shall answer Yes or No  Yes - There is a process in place to ensure our supply chain supports skills, development and apprenticeships, and we can evidence on request.  No - We do not have a process in place  Scoring Criteria - For Information Only. | Yes □<br>No □ |  |

|        | Steel  |
|--------|--|
| SEL4.7 | SEL4.7 - Please describe the supply chain management systems, policies, standards and procedures you currently have in place to ensure robust supply chain management in relation to PPN16/15 - Procuring steel in major projects which can be found at  |
|        | https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/47 3545/PPN_16-15_Procuring_steel_in_major_projects.pdf  |
|        | Bidder guidance - Bidder shall detail in the below text box or as an attachment - maximum character count 4096   |
|        | Scoring Criteria - For Information Only  |
| SEL4.8 | SEL4.8 - In relation to PPN 16/15 - Procuring steel in major projects. Please provide details of previous similar projects where you have demonstrated a high level of competency and effectiveness in managing of all supply chain members involved in steel supply or production so that there was a sustainable and safe supply of steel. |
|        | Bidder Guidance - bidders shall provide the details in the below text box or as an attachment - Maximum character count 4096.  |

|        | Scoring Criteria - For information only  |
|--------|--|
| SEL4.9 | SEL4.9 - In relation to PPN16/15 - Procuring steel in major projects. Have there been any previous breaches of health and safety legislation in the last 5 years, applicable to the country in which you operate, on comparable projects, for both: (i) Your company (ii) All your supply chain members involved in the production or supply of steel Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes or No  Yes - Please provide an attachment detailing each breach. No - no further information required.  Scoring Criteria - For Information only. |

|         | Suppliers' Past Performance <sup>3</sup>  |               |
|---------|---|---------------|
| SEL4.10 | SEL4.10 Suppliers' Past Performance in relation to PPN 04/15 - Taking Account of Suppliers' Past Performance.   | Yes □<br>No □ |
|         | https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/procur<br>ement-policy-note-0415-taking-account-of-<br>suppliers-past-performance  |               |
|         | Can you supply a list of your relevant principal contracts for Supplies and/or Services provided in the last three years to in scope organisations?   |               |
|         | Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall answer Yes + supply the list as an attachment or No  |               |
|         | Yes - Bidders may, on request, be asked to provide a certificate from the customers on the list (or an explanation as to why they cannot provide a certificate) If the certificate states that supplies and /or services supplied were not satisfactory, bidders will be asked to supply information which shows why this will not recur in this contract if they are awarded it. Bidders may also be asked to supply this information for sub-contractors or consortium members that they will rely upon to perform this contract. |               |
|         | No - please explain in an attachment why you cannot provide a list of your relevant principal contracts for Supplies and/or Services provided.  |               |
|         | Scoring Criteria - For Information Only.  |               |

| SEL5.5           | Please self-certify that your organisation has a Health and Safety Policy that complies with current legislative requirements. These should consider not only were your organisation is based but also any needs that are required in the country of delivery of the procurement. |
|------------------|---|
| Bidder           | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>   |
| guidance         | Yes – Pass  |
|                  | No - Fail   |
| Scoring criteria | Mandatory Pass / Fail   |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Procurement Policy Note 04/15 Taking Account of Suppliers' Past Performance

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| Bidder              | Drop down menu - Yes / No   |
| response            |   |
|                     |   |
| SEL5.6              | Has your organisation or any of its Directors or Executive Officers been in receipt of enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or equivalent body) in the last 3 years?   |
| Bidder<br>Guidance  | The Bidder Shall answer yes or no Yes = *Fail No = Pass   |
|                     | If your answer to this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served.  |
|                     | The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under Health and Safety legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches. |
| Scoring<br>Criteria | Mandatory Pass/Fail   |
|                     |   |
| SEL5.7              | Has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any notice served upon it, in the last three years by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority)?   |
| Bidder              | The Bidder shall answer yes or no   |
| Guidance            |   |
|                     | Yes – Fail*   |
|                     | No – Pass   |
|                     | If your answer to this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate Appendix of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served.  |
|                     | The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been  |
|                     | prosecuted or served notice under environmental legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.  |
| Scoring<br>Criteria | Mandatory Pass/fail   |
| Bidder              | Drop down menu - Yes / No   |
| response            |   |

| CELEO            | If you was sub-contractors also you have managed to the death of  |
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| SEL5.8           | If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a notice served upon them for infringement of environmental legislation?  |
| Bidder           | The Bidder Shall answer Yes/No/Not Applicable   |
| Guidance         | A response of 'Yes' or 'Not Applicable' will result in a pass and a response of 'No' will result in a fail against this question.   |
| Scoring          | Selection – Yes/No/ Not Applicable  |
| Criteria         |   |
|                  |   |
| SEL5.9           |   |
| 022310           | In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your organisation by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)? And/or;   |
| Bidder           | In the last three years, has your organisation had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds of alleged unlawful discrimination?  The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>  |
| guidance         |   |
| guidanice        | Yes - Fail*   |
|                  | No – Pass   |
|                  | *If you have answered "yes" please provide, as an attachment to this question, a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.   |
|                  | If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please use the attachment to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.  |
|                  | You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.  |
| Scoring criteria | Mandatory Pass / Fail   |
| Bidder           | Drop down menu - Yes / No   |
| response         |   |
|                  |   |
| SEL5.10          | If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of the circumstances in regards to the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your subcontractors by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)? And/or; |

|                    | In the last three years, has any of your subcontractors had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds of alleged unlawful discrimination?   |
|--------------------|--|
| Bidder             | The Bidder Shall answer yes or no  |
| Guidance           | Yes – Fail*  |
|                    | No – Pass  |
|                    | *If you have answered "yes" please provide, as an attachment to this question, a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.  |
|                    | If the investigation upheld the complaint against your sub-contractors, please use the attachment to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.  |
|                    | You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken by your sub-contractors to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.   |
| Scoring            | Mandatory Pass/fail  |
| Criteria           | The state of the s |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu - Yes / No  |

| SEL2.20 | General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR)   |
|---------|--|
|         | The GDPR is mandatory requirement for all contracts or agreements both in the contracting authority and the private sectors that involves the transfer and processing of personal data and comes into force on the 25th May 2018.  It is mandatory for bidders to demonstrate that they will be able to meet the technical requirements and obligations prescribed by the GDPR, even if the contract or agreement is concluded prior to it |
|         | coming into force, so as the contract is future proofed and complies with all aspects with the GDPR, this is mutually beneficial to both parties and saves the Contracting Authority and the bidder the  |
|         | additional burden of amending the contract or agreement once the GDPR comes into force. All contracts or agreements that are awarded by the Contracting Authority (the data controller) shall contain terms and conditions that oblige the successful bidder and any bidder supply   |
|         | chain (data processor) to comply with the GDPR and indemnify the Contracting Authority (data controller).  |

|                    | Further information and guidance relating to the GDPR is available from the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) at: https://ico.org.uk/ |
|--------------------|--|
| Bidder             | Bidders can answer   |
| guidance           | bluders can answer   |
|                    | Yes – We will are able to demonstrate compliance as is required by the GDPR now  |
|                    | <b>No</b> – We will not be compliant prior to any award and we have no intention of being compliant  |
|                    | Intend – We are not compliant with the GDPR but we confirm that we will be compliant prior to commencement of the contract.                |
|                    | A response of 'Yes' or 'Intend' will result in a pass and a response of 'No' will result in a fail against this question.                  |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pass / Fail  |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu – Yes / No / Intend   |

| FOI1.1           | FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 (FOIA) AND / OR ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 (EIR)   |
|------------------|--|
|                  | Information provided in the course of the procurement process may be disclosed under Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004.  |
|                  | Please note that some of the information provided may be protected under the FOIA exemptions and EIR exceptions. More information on applying the exemptions or exceptions can be found under the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) website <a href="http://ico.org.uk">http://ico.org.uk</a> |
|                  | Please confirm you have been informed that information provided under this Bid may be disclosed under the FOIA and EIR and agree to it being published.  |
| Bidder           | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>  |
| guidance         | Yes – Pass   |
|                  | No - Fail  |
| Scoring criteria | Mandatory Pass / Fail  |

| Bidder   | Yes / No |
|----------|----------|
| response |          |

| FOI1.2             | FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 AND / OR ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 EXEMPTIONS  |  |  |
|--------------------|---|--|--|
|                    | Please complete this section <u>only</u> if you have agreed for your information to be disclosed under the FOIA or EIR in FOI1.1  |  |  |
|                    | If you have not agreed for your information to be disclosed under<br>the FOIA or EIR in Question FOI1.1 please complete the table 'N/A'<br>(not applicable)   |  |  |
|                    | If you have agreed for your information to be disclosed under the I EIR in Question FOI1.1 please tell us what exemptions or exception apply to your information and why? If you are not relying on any exemptions or exceptions please complete each field 'N/A' (not applicable).               |  |  |
| Bidder<br>guidance | The Bidder shall provide details of their proposed exemptions/exc in the table below.   |  |  |
|                    | The Bidder shall note that if the Contracting Authority believes that the suggested exemptions or exceptions have not been applied properly, the Contracting Authority will disclose the requested information unless another exemption or exception can be applied by the Contracting Authority. |  |  |
|                    | Be aware that by completing FOI1.1 and answering 'yes' you have agreed for the Contracting Authority to disclose the provided information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulation 2004, therefore you will not be approached for consent.               |  |  |
| Scoring criteria   | For information only  |  |  |
| Bidder<br>response | Confidential Information  | Justification for exemption/exception under FOIA / EIR |  |
|                    |   |  |  |

| Commercially sensitive information | Justification for exemption/exception under FOIA / EIR |
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## Section 6 - Award questionnaire

- 6.2 The Award questionnaires are located within the e-sourcing tool.
- 6.3 Guidance on completion of the questions is available at <a href="http://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/Pages/supplier.aspx">http://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/Pages/supplier.aspx</a>

PLEASE NOTE THE QUESTIONS ARE NOT NUMBERED SEQUENCIALLY

#### **RFP Governance**

### AW1.1

#### **FORM OF BID**

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted in this RFP are correct. I understand that the information will be used in the process to assess my organisation's suitability to be invited to bid for the Contracting Authority's requirement and I am signing on behalf of my organisation. I understand that the the Contracting Authority may reject this RFP if there is a failure to answer all relevant questions fully or if I provide false/misleading information.

I understand that the Government's transparency agenda requires that sourcing documents, including RFP templates such as this, are published on a designated, publicly searchable web site, and, that the same applies to other sourcing documents issued by the Contracting Authority, including the RFP, and any contract entered into by the Contracting Authority or its Customers with its preferred supplier once the procurement is complete.

By submitting a response to this RFP I agree that our participation may be made public.

I understand that the answers given in this response may be published on the web site (but elements may be redacted under Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)).

By submitting a response to this RFP I agree and accept the justification for the the Contracting Authority's evaluation criteria.

By submitting a response to this RFP I agreed and accept that the Contracting Authority reserves the right to change without notice the procedure for awarding the Contract, to reject any or all bids for the Contract, to stop the process and not award the Contract (in whole or in part) at any time without any liability on its part.

By submitting a response to this RFP I agree and accept that nothing in this process is intended to form any express or implied contractual relationship between the Parties unless and until a Contract is awarded. The Contracting Authority is not liable for any costs resulting from cancellation of this process nor any costs incurred by Bidders taking part in this procurement process.

I understand that where sourcing documents issued by the Contracting Authority or contracts with its suppliers fall to be disclosed The Contracting Authority will redact them as it thinks necessary, having regard (inter alia) to the exemptions/exceptions in the FOIA or EIR.

| Bidder<br>guidance  | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No Yes</b> – Pass |
|---------------------|--|
|                     | No - Fail  |
| Scoring<br>criteria | Mandatory Pass / Fail                                      |
| Bidder<br>response  | Drop down menu - Yes / No                                  |

| AW1.2              | Having examined the contents of the RFP we offer to carry out the requirement in conformity with the said conditions for the maximum fixed prices detailed in the schedule attached in response to AW5.2.  We undertake to carry out the requirements specified within the period stated in the enquiry letter.  Our Bid offer shall be binding between us for a period of 90 days from the closing date for receipt of Bids.  Unless and until a formal agreement is prepared and executed this Bid and a written acceptance thereof shall constitute a binding contract between us.  We understand that you are not bound to accept the lowest or any Bid you may receive. |
|--------------------|--|
| Bidder<br>guidance | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No Yes</b> – Pass <b>No</b> - Fail  |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pass / Fail  |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu - Yes / No  |

| AW1.3 | CERTIFICATE OF BONA FIDE BID  |
|-------|---|
|       | The essence of procurement is that the customer shall receive bona fide competitive Bids, from all those Bidding. In recognition of this principle, we certify that this is a bona fide Bid, intended to be competitive and that we have not fixed or adjusted the amount of Bid by or under or in accordance with any agreement with any other person. |
|       | We also certify that we have not done and we undertake that we will not do at any time before the hour and date specified for the return of this Bid any of the following:  |
|       | (a) Communicate to a person other than the person calling for these Bids the amount or approximate amount of the proposed Bid, except where the disclosure, in confidence, of the approximate amount  |

|                    |   | of the Bid was necessary to obtain insurance premium quotations for the preparation of the Bid;  |
|--------------------|---|--|
|                    | (b)   | Enter into any agreement or arrangement with any other person that he shall refrain from bidding or as to the amount of any Bid to be submitted;   |
|                    | (c)   | Offer to pay or agree to pay or give any sum of money or valuable consideration directly or indirectly to any person for doing or having done or causing or have caused to be done in relation to any other Bid or proposed Bid for the said supply / service any act or thing of the sort described above.  |
|                    | body or asso  | cate, the word "person" includes any persons and any ciation, corporate or unincorporated, and any or arrangement" includes any such transaction, formal and whether legally binding or not.   |
|                    | cancel the coresulting from (whether with collusion in E Contracting A practices eith | dge that the Contracting Authority will be entitled to intract and to recover from us the amount of any loss in such cancellation if we or our representatives our without our knowledge) shall have practiced sidding for this contract or any other contract with the Authority or shall employ any corrupt or illegal iner in the obtaining or execution of this contract or any of with the Contracting Authority. |
|                    | information /<br>during this P  | t the Contracting Authority may disclose the Bidders documentation (submitted to the Contracting Authority rocurement) more widely within Government for the assuring effective cross-Government procurement   |
|                    | processes, in   | cluding value for money and related purposes.  |
| Bidder             | The Bidder sh   | all answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>   |
| guidance           | <b>Yes</b> – Pass   |  |
|                    | No - Fail   |  |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pa  | ss / Fail  |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down m   | enu - Yes / No   |

# **Executive summary**

| AW2.1              | Please provide an executive summary of your bid.   |
|--------------------|--|
|                    | The executive summary should focus on the key features of the Bidder's Response including all key assumptions made by the Bidder (but excluding all pricing/financial information)   |
|                    | The objective of the executive summary is to provide the Contracting Authority with a clear, concise and complete summary of the Bidder's Response together with an insight into the reasoning and rationale behind the Response.  |
|                    | It is intended that the executive summary should provide a useful introduction to the Response for evaluators, as well as senior stakeholders who may not be involved in the detailed evaluation.  |
|                    | Whilst the executive summary will not be formally evaluated, it will be scrutinised for consistency with your Response and clarification will be sought if required.   |
|                    | The executive summary must only contain information drawn from other areas of your Response and must not contain any new material. Whilst diagrams and photographs may be used, they should be high level and should not be used to support other parts of the Response where more detailed information is required. |
| Bidder             | Maximum character count – 4096 characters  |
| guidance           | Any information submitted over and above the specified limit will be disregarded and not evaluated   |
| Scoring criteria   | For information only   |
| Bidder<br>response | Text   |

# **Compliance to the Contract Terms**

| AW4.1              | Please confirm your acceptance of the attached Contract Terms.   |
|--------------------|--|
| Bidder             | The Bidder shall answer Yes, No with justification or No   |
| guidance           | Yes – Pass   |
|                    | <b>No with justification</b> –Pass. See question AW4.2 for details of what amounts to a valid justification. |
|                    | No – Fail  |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pass / Fail  |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu - Yes, No with justification, No  |

| AW4.2              | Where a Bidder has answered question AW4.1 with 'no with justification' they must detail the justification and the proposed change to the clause  |
|--------------------|---|
| Bidder<br>guidance | A justification for not accepting a specific clause or series of clauses from the attached Contract Terms is that the Bidder would be in breach of legal requirements or statutory regulations by complying with that clause or series of clauses (i.e. for the avoidance of doubt, being unable to comply with a clause or series of clauses because of an internal policy reason will not be considered to be a justification for a legal requirement or statutory regulation). |
|                    | Where the Bidder has answered question AW4.1 as "no with justification", the Bidder shall provide a Contract mark-up utilising track changes detailing the relevant clause, the proposed changes to the clause and the justification for the changes. In this case, the Bidder shall score a pass if (but only if) the Contracting Authority considers both the following requirements are satisfied:   |
|                    | <ul> <li>the reasons stated as justifying the Bidder's statement that it<br/>cannot accept the Contract Terms due to legal requirements or<br/>statutory regulations are valid; and</li> </ul>  |
|                    | <ul> <li>the changes submitted do not create significant risk for the<br/>Contracting Authority and are reasonably necessary and<br/>proportionate to ensure the Bidder complies with the legal<br/>requirements and statutory regulations.</li> </ul>  |
|                    | Where a Bidder has answered Question AW4.1 with 'Yes' or 'No' it must answer 'not applicable' to achieve a Pass to question AW4.2 (noting that an answer of 'No' to question AW4.1 has already resulted in a fail).   |

|          | In the event of a Bidder answering Yes or No to Question AW4.1 and then providing a proposed mark up, rejection of a clause or a justification for a change then the response will be a Fail. |
|----------|---|
| Scoring  | Mandatory Pass / Fail   |
| criteria |   |
| Bidder   | Drop down menu  |
| response | 'N/A'   |
|          | 'I have answered AW4.1 'No with justification' and attach modifications / requested / justification'.   |
|          |   |

## PRICE QUESTIONNIARE

| AW5.1              | Please confirm your price shall remain firm and fixed for full term of the Contract. Thereafter they shall be subject to change in accordance with the terms of the contract. |
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| Bidder             | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>   |
| guidance           | Yes - Pass  |
|                    | No – Fail   |
|                    |   |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pass / Fail   |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu - Yes, No  |

| AW5.2            | Bidders are required to complete the Excel Pricing Schedule attached in the 'RFX attachments' section in the e-sourcing tool. |  |                   |  |
|------------------|---|--|-------------------|--|
|                  | All prices sha  | all be exclusive of VAT.   |                   |  |
|                  |   | earing elsewhere in the Bid but not n<br>dule shall be presumed waived.  | nentioned in this |  |
| Bidder           | Bidders shall d   | confirm they have completed the Pricing  | Schedule.         |  |
| guidance         | The scoring m   | The scoring methodology for this question shall be:  |                   |  |
|                  | The lowest pri<br>100.  | The lowest price for a response which meets the pass criteria shall score 100.   |                   |  |
|                  | price. The sc   | All other bids shall be scored on a pro rata basis in relation to the lowest price. The score is then subject to a multiplier to reflect the percentage value of the price criterion.            |                   |  |
|                  |   | Where the scoring criterion is worth 50% then the 0-100 score achieved will be multiplied by 50  |                   |  |
|                  | equate to 40  | In the example if a supplier scores 80 from the available 100 points this will equate to 40% by using the following calculation: Score/Total Points multiplied by 50 ( $80/100 \times 50 = 40$ ) |                   |  |
|                  |   | The lowest score possible is 0 even if the price submitted is more than 100% greater than the lowest price.  |                   |  |
|                  | The lowest sco  | The lowest score possible is 0.  |                   |  |
|                  | For example,  | For example, assuming the lowest bid is £100,000.  |                   |  |
|                  | Bid Price   | Differential to the lowest price which meets the mandatory pass criteria at Award stage  | Score             |  |
|                  | £100,000  | 0  | 100               |  |
|                  | £120,000  | 20%  | 80                |  |
|                  | £140,000  | 40%  | 60                |  |
|                  | £150,000  | 50%  | 50                |  |
|                  | £175,000  | 75%  | 25                |  |
|                  | £200,000<br>£300,000  | 100%<br>200%   | 0                 |  |
|                  | 2300,000  | 20076  | 0                 |  |
| Scoring criteria | Maximum Mar   | ks <b>40</b> %   |                   |  |
| Bidder response  | Drop down me  | enu – Yes  |                   |  |

## **QUALITY QUESTIONNIARE**

| AW6.1              | Please confirm your compliance to the requirements of Section 4 Specification |
|--------------------|---|
| Bidder             | The Bidder shall answer <b>Yes</b> or <b>No</b>                               |
| guidance           | <b>Yes</b> – Pass   |
|                    | No - Fail   |
| Scoring criteria   | Mandatory Pass / Fail   |
| Bidder<br>response | Drop down menu - Yes / No   |

| PROJ1.1            | Section 4 Specification 1.2.1  |
|--------------------|--|
|                    | The proposed TIRF system shall be capable of flexible multichannel imaging. This shall facilitate either simultaneous two channel imaging or sequential four channel imaging or three channel imaging using a combination of the two modes. The emphasis shall be on achieving rapid switching between channels by choice of multiband dichroics, emission filters mounted in a fast automated position changing filter wheel, user selectable image-channel-pair splitting dichroics and rapid excitation wavelength switching. To achieve automated sequential 4 colour TIRF imaging, the switching time between laser and emission filter combinations shall be less than 100 milliseconds. |
| Bidder<br>guidance | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance           | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|                    | System not capable of simultaneous two channel imaging = 0   |
|                    | System capable of simultaneous two channel imaging = 25  |

|          | System capable of simultaneous two channel imaging and capable of switching between excitation lasers in less than 10 milliseconds = 50 |
|----------|---|
|          | System capable of simultaneous two channel imaging and capable of switching between excitation lasers in less than 10 milliseconds and  |
|          | equipped with a fast emission filter changer capable of switching between   |
|          | filters in less than 100 milliseconds = 100   |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 4%  |
| criteria |   |
| Bidder   | Text  |
| response |   |

| PROJ1.2  | Section 4 Specification 1.2.2  |
|----------|--|
|          | The proposed TIRF system shall provide improved TIRF illumination. This shall be by providing a larger (or equal) TIRF image area with improved uniformity of TIRF illumination across that area. As compared to our existing system, specifically no smaller than 60 microns by 60 microns in object space at 100X magnification or 100 microns by 100 microns at 60X. Uniformity determined as in 3.5. |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|          | System does not meet TIRF illumination area specification = 0  |
|          | System meets the TIRF illumination area specification = 50   |
|          | System exceeds the TIRF illumination area specification by a factor of 1.4 or more = 100   |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| criteria |  |
| Bidder   | Text   |
| response |  |

| PROJ1.3            | Section 4 Specification 1.2.3  |
|--------------------|--|
|                    | The proposed TIRF system must provide a faster (or equal) image frame rate (at the full field of view of the camera(s) and in simultaneous 2 channel imaging mode) in comparison to the existing system. Ideally more than 30 frames per second. |
| Bidder<br>guidance | The Bidder shall answer  |
|                    | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|                    | System is capable of imaging at 10 frames per second or less = 0   |
|                    | System is capable of imaging at 11 to 29 frames per second = 25  |
|                    | System is capable of imaging at 30 frames per second = 50  |
|                    | System is capable of imaging at 30 frames per second (or more) with an exposure time of 30 milliseconds = 70   |
|                    | System is capable of imaging at more than 50 frames per second = 100   |
| Scoring            | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| criteria           |  |
| Bidder             | Text   |
| response           |  |

| PROJ1.4  | Section 4 Specification 1.2.4   |
|----------|---|
|          | The proposed system must also be capable of incorporating a device for photobleaching or photoactivating a user specified ROI at any location, in any shape and dimension within the image field without impairment of the functionality described in this section. |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer   |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:  |
|          | The proposed system is not capable of incorporating a device for photobleaching or photoactivating a user specified ROI as described above = 10   |

|          | The proposed system is capable of incorporating a device for              |
|----------|---|
|          | photobleaching or photoactivating a user specified ROI as described above |
|          | = 50  |
|          | The proposed evetem is complete of incorporating a device for             |
|          | The proposed system is capable of incorporating a device for              |
|          | photobleaching or photoactivating a user specified ROI as described above |
|          | and operation of this device is fully integrated into the proposed system |
|          | software = 100  |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 3%  |
| criteria |   |
| Bidder   | Text  |
| response |   |

| PROJ1.5  | Section 4 Specification 1.2.5  |
|----------|--|
|          | The proposed TIRF system shall be a flexible platform to which additional hardware may be added as judged by the ability of such hardware to be integrated into the overall control software and the diversity of capabilities added. Such additions shall not be at the expense of redundancy or replacement of equipment supplied in the proposal. Such additions shall include hardware sourced from vendors other than the tenderer. The tenderer shall provide representative details of such hardware e.g from |
|          | their product literature or as described on their web site.  |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|          | The proposed system is not capable of accepting additional hardware that functions in concert with software to expand the capabilities of the system = 10  |
|          | The proposed system is capable of accepting additional hardware that functions in concert with software to expand the capabilities of the system sourced only from the tenderer = 50   |
|          | The proposed system is capable of accepting additional hardware that functions in concert with software to expand the capabilities of the system sourced from the tenderer and from other vendors = 100  |

| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 3% |
|----------|------------------|
| criteria |                  |
| Bidder   | Text             |
| response |                  |

| PROJ1.6  | Section 4 Specification 2.6  |
|----------|--|
|          | The proposed laser bank(s) shall be capable of being configured with two or more independent optical fibre outputs. The switching between these outputs shall be automated |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|          | A second fiber output is possible with the addition of a second laser bank = 50  |
|          | It is possible to configure the proposed laser bank with two (or more) fiber outputs but a single output is proposed in this response = 75                                 |
|          | The proposed laser bank is equipped with two (or more) fibre outputs with automated switching = 100  |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| criteria |  |
| Bidder   | Text   |
| response |  |

| PROJ1.7 | Section 4 Specification 3.2  |
|---------|--|
|         | The proposed TIRF control hardware and software shall be equipped with a flexible user interface to select for |
|         | i) Any combination of excitation wavelengths.  |

|          | ii) The TIRF angle and/or the penetration depth of the TIRF field for each  |
|----------|---|
|          | wavelength independently,   |
|          | iii) The laser power,   |
|          | iv) The position of the TIRF beam in the back focal plane should be adjustable in x and y (or equivalently radius and angle) such that it can access all possible locations in the back focal plane that give TIRF illumination.  |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer   |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:  |
|          | score 20 for each   |
|          | <ul> <li>a) it is possible to select through automated hardware and software any combination of excitation wavelengths and powers.</li> <li>b) it is possible to select through automated hardware and software, the TIRF angle and/or the penetration depth of the TIRF field for each wavelength</li> <li>c) it is possible through automated hardware and software to adjust the position of the TIRF beam in the back focal plane in one axis.</li> </ul> |
|          | d) it is possible through automated hardware and software to adjust<br>the position of the TIRF beam in the back focal plane in two axes to<br>achieve TIRF illumination at different azimuthal angles.   |
|          | e) it is possible through automated hardware and software to adjust the collimation of the TIRF beam  |
|          | Total score = 100.  |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 8%  |
| criteria |   |
| Bidder   | Text  |
| response |   |

| PROJ1.8 | Section 4 Specification 3.4 |   |
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|                    | The proposed TIRF control system should provide a way to calibrate the depth of the TIRF field for each wavelength .  |
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| Bidder<br>guidance | The Bidder shall answer  The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:  It is not possible to calibrate the depth of TIRF field = 0  It is possible to calibrate the depth of TIRF field through (or after) manual adjustment of the laser alignment = 50  It is possible to calibrate the depth of TIRF field through automated adjustment of the laser alignment = 100 |
| Scoring criteria   | Maximum Marks 6%  |
| Bidder response    | Text  |

| PROJ1.9 | Section 4 Specification 3.5  |
|---------|--|
|         | The system should provide homogenous illumination across the entire field of view of the provided camera. The Tenderer shall specify this uniformity based on a TIRF image of a homogenous solution of a fluorescent dye (without any extra magnifying lens) and the intensity profile measured along a diagonal line across this image. We consider a 40% intensity drop compared to the average value measured along the central 10% of the line profile as the cut off to measure the uniformity of the field of view: Illumination uniformity of 80% means that the center 80% of the line profile remains above this cut off value and at each edge, the end 10% falls below this cut off value. The tenderer shall provide a representative image in the |
|         | native format of their software to support this.   |

| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
|----------|--|
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:                             |
|          | Scoring will reflect said specification:   |
|          | 100 means that intensity along the diagonal direction does not drop below the 40% cut off. |
|          | 50 means that 50% of the signal along the diagonal displays values that fall               |
|          | below the 40% cut off.   |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| criteria |  |
| Bidder   | Text   |
| response |  |

| PROJ1.10 | Section 4 Specification 3.6  |
|----------|--|
|          | The proposed system shall be equipped with an emission filter wheel. This wheel shall be automated and under the TIRF system software control. |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|          | Fixed filters or manual filter change = 10   |
|          | Filter wheel takes greater than 100 milliscond to change filter= 50  |
|          | Filter wheel takes 100 miliseconds or less to change filter = 100  |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| criteria |  |
| Bidder   | Text   |
| response |  |

| PROJ1.11           | Section 4 Specification 3.7   |
|--------------------|---|
| Bidder<br>guidance | The proposed system shall include hardware allowing simultaneous detection and imaging on two independent cameras using suitable splitter optics and emission filters. The provided image splitter device shall enable independent focusing and alignment of each channel. The tender shall give comprehensive details to show how this requirement will be met.  The Bidder shall answer  The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows: |
|                    |   |
|                    | The Question is not answered or the response is completely unacceptable.  |
|                    | 10 Extremely poor response – they have completely missed the point of the question.   |
|                    | Very poor response and not wholly acceptable. Requires major revision to the response to make it acceptable. Only partially answers the requirement, with major deficiencies and little relevant detail proposed.   |
|                    | Poor response only partially satisfying the selection question requirements with deficiencies apparent. Some useful evidence provided but response falls well short of expectations. Low probability of being a capable supplier.   |
|                    | Response is acceptable but remains basic and could have been expanded upon. Response is sufficient but does not inspire.  |
|                    | 80 Good response which describes their capabilities in detail which provides high levels of assurance consistent with a quality provider.  The response includes a full description of techniques and measurements currently employed.  |
|                    | Response is exceptional and clearly demonstrates they are capable of meeting the requirement. No significant weaknesses noted. The response is compelling in its description of techniques and measurements currently employed, providing full assurance consistent with a quality provider.  |
| Scoring            | Maximum Marks 3%  |
| criteria           | Tovit   |
| Bidder             | Text  |
| response           |   |

| PROJ1.12         | Section 4 Specification 3.9  |
|------------------|--|
|                  | The tenderer shall propose two cameras designed for single GFP molecule sensitivity at high speed, such as a back illuminated EMCCD camera with 16 micron pixels, or equivalent. In the case of an alternative camera technology the tenderer shall provide the manufacturers specification sheet. |
|                  | These cameras shall be able to image at frame rates specified in 1.2.3 in full field in global shutter mode. These cameras shall have the highest possible quantum efficiency (QE).  |
| Bidder           | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance         | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|                  | It is NOT possible to operate the camera in global shutter mode = 0  |
|                  | QE 60% or less = 10  |
|                  | QE more than 60% and less than or equal to 80% = 30  |
|                  | QE more than 80% and less than or equal to 90% = 60  |
|                  | QE 90% or more = 100   |
| Scoring criteria | Maximum Marks 4%   |
| Bidder           | Text   |
| response         |  |

| PROJ1.13 | Section 4 Specification 4.1  |
|----------|--|
|          | The proposed system must allow TIRF/FRAP experiments, ideally with all     |
|          | four lasers by scanning a focused laser in a controlled way on the sample. |

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|          | The user shall be able to define an ROI in the image for subsequent |
|          | bleaching.  |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer   |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:      |
|          | FRAP not possible = 0   |
|          | FRAP only possible with between one and three laser lines = 50      |
|          | FRAP possible with 4 laser lines = 100                              |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 3%  |
| criteria |   |
| Bidder   | Text  |
| response |   |

| PROJ1.14 | Section 4 Specification 4.3  |
|----------|--|
|          | This system must provide near simultaneous TIRF/FRAP capabilities (ideally switching time between TIRF and FRAP modes in 20 milliseconds or less) with all lasers. |
| Bidder   | The Bidder shall answer  |
| guidance | The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows:   |
|          | Switching time between TIRF and FRAP modes more than or equal to 0.5 seconds = 10  |
|          | Switching time between TIRF and FRAP modes less than 0.5 seconds more than or equal to 20 milliseconds = 50  |
|          | Switching time between TIRF and FRAP modes less than 20 milliseconds = 100   |
| Scoring  | Maximum Marks 3%   |
| criteria |  |
| Bidder   | Text   |
| response |  |

| PROJ1.15           | Section 4 Specification 7.5   |
|--------------------|---|
| Bidder<br>guidance | Said software package shall enable flexible user configurable TTL control of extra devices, such as microfluidic pumps, at specific times during acquisition and/ or enable triggered operation of microscope hardware. The tenderer shall give details of these capabilities.  The Bidder shall answer  The scoring methodology for this question shall be as follows: |
|                    | The Question is not answered or the response is completely unacceptable.  |
|                    | 10 Extremely poor response – they have completely missed the point of the question.   |
|                    | Very poor response and not wholly acceptable. Requires major revision to the response to make it acceptable. Only partially answers the requirement, with major deficiencies and little relevant detail proposed.   |
|                    | Poor response only partially satisfying the selection question requirements with deficiencies apparent. Some useful evidence provided but response falls well short of expectations. Low probability of being a capable supplier.   |
|                    | Response is acceptable but remains basic and could have been expanded upon. Response is sufficient but does not inspire.  |
|                    | Good response which describes their capabilities in detail which provides high levels of assurance consistent with a quality provider.  The response includes a full description of techniques and measurements currently employed.   |
|                    | Response is exceptional and clearly demonstrates they are capable of meeting the requirement. No significant weaknesses noted. The response is compelling in its description of techniques and measurements currently employed, providing full assurance consistent with a quality provider.  |
| Scoring criteria   | Maximum Marks 3%  |
| Bidder             | Text  |
| response           |   |