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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) **Name and addresses**

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Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development/about/procurement>

I.2) **Information about joint procurement**

I.3) **Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>
Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address
Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the abovementioned address

I.4) **Type of the contracting authority**

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

I.5) **Main activity**

Other activity: International Development Aid

Section II: Object

II.1) **Scope of the procurement**

II.1.1) **Title:**

Private Sector Development Programme: Market Systems Development – ELAN 1.2
Reference number: PO 8317

II.1.2) **Main CPV code**

75211200

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Services

II.1.4) **Short description:**

The Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) has huge economic potential. There are 80m hectares of uncultivated arable land, vast mineral resources and over half of Africa's water. This is countered by a very difficult business environment with very little industry. DRC ranks 184 out of 190 on the World Bank's Doing

Business survey. It performs particularly badly on contract enforcement, getting electricity, paying taxes and trading across borders. Recovery of the private sector in DRC is vital; for job creation and poverty alleviation. DFID's planned ELAN 1.2 programme will support market actors, generate market insights, demonstrate innovation and build capacity to improve the functioning of markets for poor people, ultimately delivering the Expected Impact of reducing poverty in DRC by improving the income of poor women and men in selected market systems.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 12 000 000.00 GBP

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title:

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS code: UKM95

II.2.4) Description of the procurement:

ELAN 1.2 will provide intensive support to a range of market functions and value chains in selected sectors, support entrepreneurship development and enterprise innovation, stimulate private sector provision of services and promote innovative and inclusive business models which have a potential to reach a large number of low-income people, using the methodology of markets systems development. A main objective of ELAN 1.2 is to deliver interventions which have a positive impact on women's economic empowerment.

The scope of work for this programme will include building on the work of the ELAN programme by:

Improving market access for poor producers;

Increasing economic activity and trade;

Creating jobs and;

Raising incomes of poor people, particularly women, adolescent girls and those from excluded and vulnerable groups

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: 8 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 24

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

DFID will award a contract for an initial term of 24 months up to an initial contract value of 8 000 000 GBP. The contract will include extension options of up to an additional 12 months, in the event of which the contract value may increase up to a maximum value of 12 000 000 GBP. DFID reserves the right to scale back or discontinue

this programme at any point in line with the terms and conditions. DFID may also scale up the programme should it prove to be having a strong impact and has the potential to yield better results.

II.2.12) **Information about electronic catalogues**

II.2.13) **Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: no

II.2.14) **Additional information**

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions for participation**

III.1.1) **Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers**

List and brief description of conditions:

Mandatory and discretionary exclusion, economic and financial standing, technical and professional ability, UN Global Compact, modern slavery act 2015 requirements, minimum insurance requirements, skills and apprentices, tenderers past performance, effective policies and procedures, project specific questions, communications and branding, duty of care, international aid transparency initiative, acceptance of DFID terms and conditions and DFID statement of priorities and expectations /code of conduct, as outlined in document in the tender documentation.

A tenderer must meet the selection criterion in relation to reliability namely that DFID must be satisfied that.

i— the contracts on the list to be provided by the tenderer have been satisfactorily performed in accordance with their terms or,

ii— where that has not occurred, the reason or reasons why that has not occurred in relation to any such contract, will not recur in the performance of the contract to be awarded.

A tenderer that fails to meet this selection criterion will not proceed further in this competition.

The contract will be governed by English Law. Prices must be quoted in GBP. All payments for the contract will be made in GBP Sterling. DFID reserves the right to annul the process at any point and not award the contract.

Legal form to be taken by the grouping of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded - Joint and several liabilities. DFID reserves the right to require joint ventures to form a single legal entity.

III.1.2) **Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) **Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.5) **Information about reserved contracts**

III.2) **Conditions related to the contract**

III.2.1) **Information about a particular profession**

III.2.2) **Contract performance conditions:**

III.2.3) **Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

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

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) **Description**

IV.1.1) **Type of procedure**

Open procedure

- IV.1.3) **Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**
- IV.1.4) **Information about reduction of the number of solutions or tenders during negotiation or dialogue**
- IV.1.6) **Information about electronic auction**
- IV.1.8) **Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes
- IV.2) **Administrative information**
- IV.2.1) **Previous publication concerning this procedure**
Notice number in the OJ S: [2018/S 114-259338](#)
- IV.2.2) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**
Date: 27/08/2018
Local time: 12:00
- IV.2.3) **Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
- IV.2.4) **Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted:**
English
- IV.2.6) **Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**
Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)
- IV.2.7) **Conditions for opening of tenders**
Date: 27/08/2018
Local time: 12:00

Section VI: Complementary information

- VI.1) **Information about recurrence**
This is a recurrent procurement: no
- VI.2) **Information about electronic workflows**
Electronic payment will be used
- VI.3) **Additional information:**
The Authority expressly reserves the right not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice and in no circumstances will the Authority be liable for any costs incurred by the candidates. Procurement documents can be accessed through the DFID Supplier portal (<https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>).
- VI.4) **Procedures for review**
- VI.4.1) **Review body**
Gerry O'Connor, Department for International Development
Eaglesham Road
East Kilbride
G75 8EA
United Kingdom
- VI.4.2) **Body responsible for mediation procedures**
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VI.4.3) **Review procedure**

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

VI.5) **Date of dispatch of this notice:**

20/07/2018