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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 electronically via: <https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>
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 Aid

Section II: Object

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

II.1.1) **Title:**

Strengthening Host and Refugee Populations in Ethiopia (SHARPE)
Reference number: 8259

II.1.2) **Main CPV code**

75211200

II.1.3) **Type of contract**

Services

II.1.4) **Short description:**

SHARPE aims to strengthen the economies of refugee hosting populations in Ethiopia via long-term interventions to promote refugee self-reliance in protracted crises. The multi-year programme is expected to improve the quality of life and reduce vulnerability of refugees, host communities and migrants in underdeveloped, peripheral regions of Ethiopia. The Supplier is to deliver large scale improvements to peoples' lives by utilising local systems and facilitating improvements in those systems, working in co-operation with existing local actors including firms, government, NGOs and potentially others. The expected result includes increased self-reliance, gradually reduced dependency on external support, and enhanced sustainability of the response provision through livelihoods and vocational training linked to the market economy, and through increasing local government capacity to provide basic services.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 36 000 000.00 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:

The contract will be awarded for up to £24m (inclusive of VAT if applicable) for a period of 3.5 years expected to commence in 2018 and end in 2022. DFID may, in agreement with the supplier, extend the contract beyond 3.5 years for up to an additional 2 years (24 months) and up to an additional £12,000,000 subject to programme and supplier performance, the need and situation on the ground. The programme will follow the Market Systems Development (MSD) approach. The objectives of this approach are to deliver large-scale, sustained improvements in people's lives by utilising local systems and facilitating change in those systems to improve outcomes. The approach is characterised by:

- Focus on the supporting functions and rules which determine the terms of a transaction within a market system as the key area for intervention.
- Working with and through existing actors to change behaviour.
- A facilitative approach leveraging the capacities and incentives of partners rather than providing the incentive as a development actor, seeking to ensure sustainable change.
- A focus on the utilisation of data for adaptive management resulting in iterative and flexible intervention design.

DFID requires a supplier, and encourages consortia or a supplier with selected partners / sub-contractors, that can demonstrate the relevant expertise, capacity, and geographical presence required to deliver this programme. A lead supplier must be identified who will have overall management and financial responsibility. It is vital that the lead supplier has a clear governance and management structure in place for the programme which is viable, feasible, and represents good value for money.

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: 36 000 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 42

This contract is subject to renewal: no

II.2.9) Information about the limits on the number of candidates to be invited

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

The contract will initially be awarded for 42 months at a value up to £24m, and includes a time extension option up to an additional 24 months and up to an additional £12,000,000. The values defined, including any extension, are the maximum budget for the contract, therefore if VAT applies this should be included within the values stated.

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, modern slavery act 2015 requirements, minimum insurance requirements, tenderers past performance, duty of care, international aid transparency initiative, acceptance of DFID Terms and conditions and DFID supply partner code of conduct, as outlined in the procurement documents. 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. The contract will be governed by English Law. 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**

Restricted 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: [2017/S 058-108769](#)

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

Date: 27/08/2018

Local time: 14:00

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**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
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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:**
23/07/2018