

CONTRACT NOTICE

SERVICES

SECTION I: CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

I.1) NAME, ADDRESSES AND CONTACT POINT(S):

Official Name: Procurement and Commercial Department
Address: Abercrombie House, Eaglesham Road,
Attention: William Maclean
Town: East Kilbride
Country: UK
Postal Code: G758EA

Internet address(es):

Further information can be obtained at:

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained at:

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to:

I.2) TYPE OF THE CONTRACTING AUTHORITY AND MAIN ACTIVITY OR ACTIVITIES:

REGIONAL AUTHORITY
GENERAL PUBLIC SERVICES

SECTION II: OBJECT OF THE CONTRACT

II.1) DESCRIPTION

II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority:

Centre of Excellence for Development Impact and Learning - Programme Directorate

II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance:

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Main site or location of works: South Lanarkshire
NUTS code: UKM38

II.1.3) This notice involves

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement:

Duration of the framework agreement: Duration in year(s):

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

Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreement:

II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchases(s):

The Department for International Development (DFID) is seeking to appoint a Programme Directorate to manage and implement the vision and evaluation research agenda of a multi-disciplinary Centre of Excellence for Development, Impact and Learning (CEDIL) in international development. CEDIL is being tendered in two stages. In this second tender, DFID is seeking to appoint a Programme Directorate to manage and implement the vision and evaluation research agenda of CEDIL. This is a unique opportunity to manage and ensure the delivery of a large, high profile, international centre that will develop impact evaluation research capacity within the UK and internationally. The objective is to establish a high quality, inter-disciplinary academic centre to innovate in the field of impact evaluation ; design, commission and implement impact evaluations; and promote the uptake and use of evidence from impact evaluations. This should be delivered through a consortium consisting of the Research Director and Intellectual Leadership Team who have already been appointed through a separate tender and the Programme Directorate. The purpose of CEDIL is to drive forward the field of impact evaluation and development evaluation both theoretically and in practice. CEDIL will act as an international focal point and develop and demonstrate new and innovative methodologies for impact evaluation and evidence accumulation. The strategic direction of CEDIL will be guided by the Research Director and Intellectual leadership Team , with inputs and support from the Programme Directorate. CEDIL will promote and carry out innovative and rigorous impact evaluations to identify 'what works, for whom, in what contexts, how and when' in international development, as well as contribute to the advancement of emergent, pioneering and cutting edge methodologies for impact evaluation, in order to maximise the effectiveness of spending on international development by: • Strategically delivering high quality, systematic and rigorous evaluation of complex international development interventions, including some of DFID's interventions; • Adapting existing methodologies and pioneering new evaluation approaches and

designs that draw on social, natural, biomedical science and other disciplines to advance DFID's understanding of 'what works, for whom, in what contexts, how and when' in international development; • Developing capacity in DFID, evaluation suppliers and the evaluation community more broadly so that DFID can commission robust evaluations which use the approaches and designs that have been adapted and developed, and the market has the skills to apply them; • Systematically and rigorously accumulating, modelling and analysing bodies of evidence in a manner that improves the external validity of findings and identifies where further investigation is most needed; • Promoting the use and uptake of evaluation evidence in international development organisations and their partners (both in the UK and internationally). • A communication strategy will be required to raise awareness of CEDIL's work and keep partners abreast of progress and key outcomes. The Programme Directorate will have overall responsibility for the delivery of this 5 year programme, including the management of a £10m fund for impact evaluation. The Programme Directorate will be responsible for planning, managing and implementing the vision and impact evaluation agenda of the Research Director and Intellectual Leadership Team. DFID will transfer responsibility for the management of the Research Director contract to the Programme Directorate once the Programme Directorate is in place through a novation between months 9-12. The aim of this tendering process is to secure top programme management talent alongside the best global academic expertise to deliver world class evaluation research. The services will be a public good, with many of the outputs from the programme used to inform international development policies and programmes both in the UK and globally. The Centre will make its products publicly available in accordance with DFID's Open Access Policy, as well as direct service to DFID programmes. DFID and its international partners will also be a recipient of the services.

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary:

79419000

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

YES

II.1.8) Division into lots:

NO

II.1.9) Variants will be accepted:

NO

II.2) QUANTITY OR SCOPE OF THE CONTRACT

II.2.1) Total quantity or scope:

£15,000,000

II.2.2) Options:

DFID reserves the right, if CEDIL is delivering well, to extend this programme by a further 3-5 years and increase its investment and scale up CEDIL up to a value of £40m subject to further ministerial approval and programme performance.

II.3) DURATION OF THE CONTRACT OR TIME-LIMIT FOR COMPLETION:

Duration in months: 60 (From the award of contract).

SECTION III: LEGAL, ECONOMIC, FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL INFORMATION

III.1) CONDITIONS RELATING TO THE CONTRACT

III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required:

n/a

III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions regulating them:

The contract will be governed by English Law. Prices are not required at the Selection Questionnaire stage, however, when required, 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.

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group 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.1.4) Other particular conditions to which the performance of the contract is subject:

No

III.2) CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION

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

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See document: SQ Supplier Information and Instructions for details

III.2.2) Economic and financial capacity:

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See document: SQ Supplier Information and Instructions for details

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: See document: SQ Supplier Information and Instructions for details

III.2.3) Technical capacity:

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if requirements are met: See document: SQ Supplier Information and Instructions for details

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: See document: SQ Supplier Information and Instructions for details

III.2.4) Reserved contracts:**III.3) CONDITIONS SPECIFIC TO SERVICES CONTRACTS****III.3.1) Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession:**

No

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

NO

SECTION IV: PROCEDURE**IV.1) TYPE OF PROCEDURE****IV.1.1) Type of procedure:**

Restricted

IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate:

Envisaged number of operators:

Minimum: 5

Maximum: 8

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: 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 statement of priorities and expectations / code of conduct, as outlined in SQ document "Supplier Information and Instructions". A tenderer must meet the selection criterion in relation to reliability namely that DFID must be satisfied that (i) the contract 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.

IV.1.3) Reduction of the number of operators during the negotiation or dialogue:

NO

IV.2) AWARD CRITERIA**IV.2.1) Award criteria:**

The most economically advantageous tender in terms of the criteria stated in the specifications, in the invitation to tender or to negotiate or in the descriptive document.

IV.2.2) An electronic auction will be used:

No

IV.3) ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:**

7948

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract:

No

IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document

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

Payable documents: No

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

25. 4. 2017 - 14:00

IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates:

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

EN

IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender:

Period in months (from date stated for receipt of tenders):

6

IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders:

Persons authorised to be present at the opening of tenders: No

SECTION VI: COMPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

VI.1) THIS IS A RECURRENT PROCUREMENT:

No

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

No

VI.3) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Additional Information: The Authority expressly reserves the right (i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by publication of this notice: and (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition: 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://supplier.portal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>)

VI.4) PROCEDURES FOR APPEAL

VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures:

Body responsible for mediation procedures:

VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals:

Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:

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

VI.5) DATE OF DISPATCH OF THIS NOTICE:

23. 3. 2017