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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) 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

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at: <https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/>

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:

Civil Society Support Programme (CSSP II) Ethiopia
Reference number: PO 8165

II.1.2) Main CPV code

75211200

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description:

The overall objective of this 3 year programme is to increase trust between government and civil society to deliver enhanced state accountability and responsiveness, resulting in better quality public services. To deliver this a contracted service provider will: allocate grants to local Civil Society Organisations (CSO) to meet the needs of hard to reach people, provide support to build civil society organisational capacity and facilitate collaborative relationships between them and the Government. The supplier will be expected to support civil society organisations all over Ethiopia. It will be required to establish at least 4 regional offices outside Addis Ababa. The service provider will support through capacity building activities and fund allocation to relevant organisations registered under the Ethiopian Proclamation for the Registration and Regulation of Charities and Societies.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 16 800 000.00 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 supplier will be directly responsible for the delivery of three main programme components of CSSP II: Strategic grants: implementation will start quickly to provide grants to address the needs of hard to reach people. Grant awards will be made around priority themes to ensure that there is potential for coalitions for change to be built around these issues. Initially these are likely to be the themes that emerged through CSSP 1, which were:

- increasing voice and access to services of disadvantaged people in rural and remote areas;
- increasing access to education for girls in rural communities by increasing protection from violence;
- increasing voice and access to livelihood services for pastoral women;
- reintegration of women prisoners and their children into society;
- increasing awareness about people (users and families) affected by chat abuse and the services available to support them;
- Increasing the voice of adults and children affected by special learning needs and mental ill-health and improving the services available to them.

However, the supplier, in consultation with civil society, government and donors, will test the validity of these themes. New themes may also be considered where they are demand led and informed by political economy analysis.

Flexible grants: an opportunistic fund which will use principles of flexibility and adaptation in order to respond to opportunities (e.g. a new policy proposal by government) or constraints (e.g. new funding directives) which arise. It will also enable CSOs to respond in a more sophisticated way to the needs of excluded people. For example it may:

- offer more innovative support to the particular needs of Ethiopian Societies and Charities;
- enable CSOs to better understand and respond to socio-cultural and institutional reasons for exclusion through legal analysis, social exclusion analysis or political economy analysis;

- support more innovative ways to build the professionalism of the CSO sector such as professional internships for women within CSOs; and
- implement projects which respond to new government priorities (where they align with those of poor people).

Capacity building: the supplier will be expected to support CSOs to:

- Strengthen skills and confidence for collaboration with government
- Build organisational capacity
- Build self-financing capability

Government engagement: the supplier will be required to support the development long term collaborative relationship between the government and CSOs to embed a legacy of joint working. This is likely to involve:

Constructive engagement: the supplier will be required to develop constructive relationships with different government actors/institutions at federal and regional levels and support CSOs to do the same. It will be important to share results of the programme with government throughout implementation and identify areas of mutual interest. Evidence from CSSP I shows that the appointment of capable, local staff, able to meet regularly with government stakeholders will be important in successfully delivering this requirement.

A CSO collective action facility: the facility will be scaled up over time and will support CSOs and CSO coalitions identify and respond to issues where collective action , may result in policy change. For example this could include: support for issue based coalitions of CSOs to share information and learn from each other (e.g. through learning events, development of materials); and support to enable CSOs to share their experiences with government (e.g. support for government to participate in CSO led field trips).

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: 16 800 000.00 GBP

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

Duration in months: 36

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:

Contract duration is 36 months from Contract Award with the provision to extend up to 24 months at the discretion of DFID. The entire Contract will be subject to break points throughout which are fully described within the ToR. This contract could potentially be extended by up to a further 24 months subject to satisfactory supplier performance, ongoing programme need and availability of additional funding. CSSP II is a multi-donor programme and Ireland, Norway and Sweden are expected to contribute a further £8.5 million (£3m, £1m, and £4.5m respectively including VAT and all applicable government taxes). The additional multi-donor contributions to the estimated contract value of £8,300,000 will be formalised prior to contract award.

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

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. This programme opportunity was previously advertised via a PIN via the OJEU # 2017/S 042 - 077652

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

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: [2017/S 042-077652](#)

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

Date: 08/01/2018

Local time: 10:00

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: 08/01/2018

Local time: 10:00

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

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/>) The estimated contract value of £ 16,800,000 is inclusive of VAT and all applicable government taxes.

VI.4) Procedures for review**VI.4.1) Review body**

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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:**

28/11/2017