United Kingdom-East Kilbride: Foreign economic-aid-related services

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Contract notice

Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)

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General address of the contracting authority:

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-international-development

Address of the buyer profile: https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.3) Main activity

General public services

I.4)Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1)Description

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

UK Aid Direct.

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

Services

Service category No 27: Other services

Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance: South Lanarkshire.

NUTS code UKM38

II.1.3)Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)

II.1.4)Information on framework agreement

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

Contract Notice for Fund Manager for UK Aid Direct — DFID's programme of support to small and medium sized Civil Society Organisations (previously known as the Global Poverty Action Fund)The Department for International Development (DFID) intends to publish a new tender opportunity in early 2015, seeking a Fund Manager for DFID's programme of support to small and medium sized Civil Society organisations (CSOs) working to reduce poverty. UK Aid Direct

is the second phase of Global Poverty Action Fund (GPAF) and will invest up to GBP 150 000 000 through funding rounds over 5 years until 2019/20. Grant management could continue until 2024. The tender opportunity will include the launch of new funding rounds, grant set-up, due diligence, and management of all grants issued through UK Aid Direct. It will also include the management of all existing GPAF grants. UK Aid Direct is designed to be an adaptive, demandled, fund with the ability to respond to UK and international development priorities in the context of a rapidly changing world. It requires a robust value for money management mechanism that fully meets the UK's requirement for managing public finances. Funding rounds will be agreed by DFID Ministers on an annual basis and will require a Fund Manager that is able to work dynamically in order to respond to opportunity and changing contexts. UK Aid Direct will also need to take on lessons and evidence coming out of the GPAF. The Fund Manager will also deliver capacity building support to enable Civil Society Organisation's to meet the requirements of the Fund and will have a central role in generating and sharing high-quality evidence and learning. A digital platform for information management and communication with DFID and Grant holders will also be an important part of the requirement. There will be a strong focus on communications and raising awareness of the Fund among a broad range of eligible organisations and stakeholders. The GPAF (established in 2010) has now fully committed its GBP 140 000 000 budget. The management of the approximately 200 grants in implementation (and expected to end by 2018) will be part of the new Fund Manager contract. A period of handover is envisaged between Fund Managers. The establishment of UK Aid Direct, as the second phase of the GPAF, demonstrates DFID's ongoing commitment to the role of Civil Society in poverty reduction and recognises the important contributions of small and medium sized CSOs. CSOs are able to reach the most poor and marginalised populations. The Fund will make the most of smaller charities' grassroots knowledge, local contacts and specialist expertise and promote learning and evidence on how civil society works best and how best to work with civil society. The intended impact of UK Aid Direct will be to support the achievement of the MDGs and post-2015 sustainable development goals, through financing civil society programmes in the following areas: I. Increasing access to services by specific groups II. Enable citizens to overcome the barriers to demand III. Changing social attitudes IV. Increasing economic empowerment.

II.1.6)Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

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II.1.7)Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): no

II.1.8)Lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.9)Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: no

II.2)Quantity or scope of the contract

II.2.1)Total quantity or scope:

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 10 000 000 and 18 000 000 GBP

II.2.2)Information about options

Options: no

II.2.3)Information about renewals

II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion

Duration in months: 120 (from the award of the contract)

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1)Conditions relating to the contract

III.1.1)Deposits and guarantees required:

As per tender documents.

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

As per tender documents.

III.1.3)Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded:

As per tender documents.

III.1.4)Other particular conditions

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions: 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 the requirements are met: As per tender documents.

III.2.2)Economic and financial ability

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: As per tender documents.

III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

As per tender documents.

III.2.4)Information about reserved contracts

III.3)Conditions specific to services contracts

III.3.1)Information about a particular profession

Execution of the service is reserved to a particular profession: no

III.3.2)Staff responsible for the execution of the service

Legal persons 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

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Open

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

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

Recourse to staged procedure to gradually reduce the number of solutions to be discussed or tenders to be negotiated 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)Information about electronic auction

An electronic auction will be used: no

IV.3)Administrative information

IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority:

7036

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

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IV.3.3)Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document Payable documents: no

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

14.4.2015 - 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 English.

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

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.3.8)Conditions for opening of tenders

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

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1)Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.2)Information about European Union funds

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

VI.3)Additional information

Tender documents including terms of reference, supplier Instructions and Scoring and Evaluation Methodology are available in our Supplier Portal. However, only Registered Suppliers can access these documents. Details on Supplier Portal and guidance to register can be found in: <a href="http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Work-with-us/DFID-portal/">http://www.dfid.gov.uk/Work-with-us/DFID-portal/</a> Expressions of interest should be via the DFID portal, <a href="https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/">https://supplierportal.dfid.gov.uk/selfservice/</a> Programme staff should not be contacted directly. If circumstances require further extension beyond the original contract duration/agreed extensions, DFID will consider doing so by means of the negotiated procedure where necessary conditions can be met. From 1.4.2001, all UK development assistance has been fully untied which allows suppliers from anywhere in the world to bid for DFID contracts.

VI.4)Procedures for appeal

VI.4.1)Body responsible for appeal procedures

VI.4.2)Lodging of appeals

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

VI.5)Date of dispatch of this notice:

9.3.2015