

Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) For UK Shared Business Services Ltd and other Public Bodies

Subject: Maintenance, Service and Repair of Laboratory and

Scientific Equipment

Sourcing Reference Number: RE20476

Section 6 – Selection questionnaire

6.1 Introduction

The Selection questionnaires are located within the e-sourcing tool.

Guidance on completion of the question is available at http://www.uksbs.co.uk/services/procure/Pages/supplier.aspx

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RESTRICTED PROCEDURE

Bidder Guidance notes for completion for Parts 1, 2, 3 and definitions for all sections

- 1. The "authority" means the named Contracting Authority or anyone acting on behalf of the Contracting Authority, that is seeking to invite suitable candidates to participate in this procurement process.
- 2. "You" / "Your" refers to the potential Supplier or Bidder completing this standard Selection Questionnaire i.e. the legal entity responsible for the information provided. The term "potential supplier" is intended to cover any economic operator as defined by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (referred to as the "regulations") and could be a registered company; the lead contact for a group of economic operators; charitable organisation; Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise (VCSE); Special Purpose Vehicle; or other form of entity.
- 3. Please ensure that all questions are completed in full, and in the format requested. If the question does not apply to you, please state 'N/A'. Should you need to provide additional information in response to the questions, please submit a clearly identified annex.
- 4. The authority recognises that arrangements set out in section 1.2 of the standard Selection Questionnaire, in relation to a group of economic operators (for example, a consortium) and/or use of sub-contractors, may be subject to change and will, therefore, not be finalised until a later date. The lead contact should notify the authority immediately of any change in the proposed arrangements and ensure a completed Part 1 and Part 2 is submitted for any new organisation relied on to meet the selection criteria. The authority will make a revised assessment of the submission based on the updated information.
- 5. For Part 1 and Part 2 every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the self-declaration.
- 6. For answers to Part 3 If you are bidding on behalf of a group, for example, a consortium, or you intend to use sub-contractors, you should complete all of the questions on behalf of the consortium and/ or any sub-contractors, providing one composite response and declaration.

The authority confirms that it will keep confidential and will not disclose to any third parties any information obtained from a named customer contact, other than to the Cabinet Office and/or contracting authorities defined by the regulations, or pursuant to an order of the court or demand made by any competent authority or body where the authority is under a legal or regulatory obligation to make such a disclosure.

PLEASE NOTE THE QUESTIONS ARE NOT NUMBERED SEQUENTIALLY

Section 1: Potential supplier Information

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection shall complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

Section 1	Potential Supplier Information		
Question Number	Question	Response	
1.1 (a)	Full name of the potential supplier submitting the information		
1.1 (b) – (i)	Registered office address (if applicable)		
1.1 (b) – (ii)	Registered website address (if applicable)		
1.1 (c)	Trading status a) public limited company b) limited company c) limited liability partnership d) other partnership e) sole trader f) third sector		
1 1 (4)	g) other (please specify your trading status)		
1.1 (d)	Date of registration in country of origin Company registration number (if applicable)		
1.1 (e) 1.1 (f)	Charity registration number (if applicable)		
1.1 (I) 1.1 (g)	Head office DUNS number (if applicable)		
1.1 (g) 1.1 (h)	Registered VAT number		
1.1 (i) – (i)	If applicable, is your organisation registered with the	Yes □	
1.1 (1) — (1)	appropriate professional or trade register(s) in the member state where it is established?	No □ N/A □	
1.1 (i) – (ii)	If you responded yes to 1.1(i) - (i), please provide the relevant details, including the registration number(s).		
1.1 (j) – (i)	Is it a legal requirement in the state where you are established for you to possess a particular authorisation, or be a member of a particular organisation in order to provide the services specified in this procurement?	Yes □ No □	
1.1 (j) — (ii)	If you responded yes to 1.1(j) - (i), please provide additional details of what is required and confirmation that you have complied with this.		
1.1 (k)	Trading name(s) that will be used if successful in this procurement		
1.1 (I)	Relevant classifications (state whether you fall within one of these, and if so which one) a) Voluntary Community Social Enterprise (VCSE) b) Sheltered Workshop c) Public service mutual		
1.1 (m)	Are you a Small, Medium or Micro Enterprise (SME) ¹ ?	Yes □ No □	

¹ See EU definition of SME <u>https://ec.europa.eu/growth/smes/business-friendly-environment/sme-definition_en</u>

1.1 (n)	Details of Persons of Significant Control (PSC), where appropriate: - Name; - Date of birth; - Nationality; - Country, state or part of the UK where the PSC usually lives; - Service address; - The date he or she became a PSC in relation to the company (for existing companies the 6 April 2016 should be used); - Which conditions for being a PSC are met; - Over 25% up to (and including) 50%, - More than 50% and less than 75%, - 75% or more. 3	N/A □
1.1 (o)	(Please enter N/A if not applicable) Details of immediate parent company:	N/A □
	 Full name of the immediate parent company Registered office address (if applicable) Registration number (if applicable) Head office DUNS number (if applicable) Head office VAT number (if applicable) (Please enter N/A if not applicable)	
1.1 (p)	Details of ultimate parent company:	N/A □
	 Full name of the ultimate parent company Registered office address (if applicable) Registration number (if applicable) Head office DUNS number (if applicable) Head office VAT number (if applicable) (Please enter N/A if not applicable)	

Please note: A criminal record check for relevant convictions may be undertaken for the preferred suppliers and the persons of significant in control of them.

Please provide the following information about your approach to this procurement:

Section 1	Bidding Model		
Question Number	Question	Response	
1.2 (a) - (i)	Are you bidding as the lead contact for a group of economic operators?	Yes □ No □	

² UK companies, Societies European (SEs) and limited liability partnerships (LLPs) will be required to identify and record the people who own or control their company. Companies, SEs and LLPs will need to keep a PSC register and must file the PSC information with the central public register at Companies House. See PSC guidance.

³ Central Government contracting authorities should use this information to have the PSC information for the preferred supplier checked before award.

			liste (a) (ii), If no sup provingeror	If yes, please provide details listed in questions 1.2(a) (ii), (a) (iii) and to 1.2(b) (i), (b) (ii), 1.3, Section 2 and 3. If no, and you are a supporting bidder please provide the name of your group at 1.2(a) (ii) for reference purposes, and complete 1.3, Section 2 and 3		(ii), (b)	
1.2 (a) - (ii)	Name of group of economic operators applicable)						
1.2 (a) - (iii)	Proposed legal structure if the group of economic operators intends to form a single legal entity prior to signing a conductor awarded. If you do not propose to form single legal entity, please explain the legal structure.	named ntract, if n a					
1.2 (b) - (i)	Are you or, if applicable, the group of economic operators proposing to use contractors?	sub-	Yes No				
1.2 (b) - (ii)	If you responded yes to 1.2(b)-(i) please provide additional details for each sub-contractor in the following table: we may ask them to complete this form as well.						
	Name						
	Registered address						
	Trading status						
	Company registration number						
	Head Office DUNS number (if applicable)						
	Registered VAT number						
	Type of organisation						
	SME (Yes/No)						
	The role each sub-contractor will take in providing the works and /or						
	supplies e.g. key deliverables						
	The approximate % of contractual						
	obligations assigned to each sub- contractor						

Contact details and declaration

- 1)I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted, and information contained in this document are correct and accurate.
- 2)I declare that, upon request and without delay I will provide the certificates or documentary evidence referred to in this document.
- 3)I understand that the information will be used in the selection process to assess my organisation's suitability to be invited to participate further in this procurement.

- 4)I understand that the authority may reject this submission in its entirety if there is a failure to answer all the relevant questions fully, or if false/misleading information or content is provided in any section.
- 5)I am aware of the consequences of serious misrepresentation.

Section 1	Contact details and declaration		
Question Number	Question	Response	
1.3 (a)	Contact name		
1.3 (b)	Name of organisation		
1.3 (c)	Role in organisation		
1.3 (d)	Phone number		
1.3 (e)	E-mail address		
1.3 (f)	Postal address		
1.3 (g)	Signature (electronic is acceptable)		
1.3 (h)	Date		

Part 2: Exclusion Grounds

Please answer the following questions in full. Note that every organisation that is being relied on to meet the selection must complete and submit the Part 1 and Part 2 self-declaration.

Section 2	Grounds for Mandatory Exclusion		
Question	Question Response		
Number			Response
2.1 (a)	Regulations 57(1) and (2)		
	The detailed grounds for mandatory exclusion of an organisation are set out on this <u>webpage</u> , which should be referred to before completing these questions.		
	Please indicate if, within the past five yother person who has powers of repreorganisation been convicted anywhere within the summary below and listed or	sentation, decision in the world of a	on or control in the
2.1 (a) - (i)	Participation in a criminal	Yes □	
	organisation.	No □	
			rovide details at 2.1(b)
2.1 (a) -	Corruption.	Yes □	
(ii)		No □	
			rovide details at 2.1(b)
2.1 (a) -	Fraud.	Yes □	TOVICE CETAILS at 2. 1(b)
(iii)	Trada.		
()		No □	novido dotoilo et 0 4/b)
2.4 (a)	Townshipt offenses or offenses linked		rovide details at 2.1(b)
2.1 (a) -	Terrorist offences or offences linked to terrorist activities	Yes □	
(iv)	to terrorist activities	No □ If Yes, please p	rovide details at 2.1(b)
2.1 (a) -	Money laundering or terrorist	Yes □	TOVIGO GOLGINO GL Z. T(D)
(v)	financing	No □	
	3	_	rovido dotaile at 2 1(b)
2.1 (a) -	Child labour and other forms of		rovide details at 2.1(b)
(vi)	trafficking in human beings	Yes □	
(1)	tranicking in numan beings	No □	
0.4.(1.)			rovide details at 2.1(b)
2.1 (b)	If you have answered yes to questic please provide further details.	on 2.1(a),	
2.2	Date of conviction, specify which of the listed the conviction was for, and the reconviction, Identity of who has been convicted If the relevant documentation is availa electronically please provide the web a issuing authority, precise reference of documents. If you have answered Yes to any of the	ble address, the	
2.2	above have measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organ	No [

	despite the existence of a relevant ground for exclusion? (Self-Cleaning)	
2.3 (a)	Regulation 57(3)	Yes □
	Has it been established, for your organisation by a judicial or administrative decision having final and binding effect in accordance with the legal provisions of any part of the United Kingdom or the legal provisions of the country in which the organisation is established (if outside the UK), that the organisation is in breach of obligations related to the payment of tax or social security contributions?	No □
2.3 (b)	If you have answered yes to question 2.3(a), please provide further details. Please also confirm you have paid or have entered into a binding arrangement with a view to paying, the outstanding sum including where applicable any accrued interest and/or fines.	

Please Note: The authority reserves the right to use its discretion to exclude a potential supplier where it can demonstrate by any appropriate means that the potential supplier is in breach of its obligations relating to the non-payment of taxes or social security contributions.

Section 3	Grounds for discretionary exclusion				
Question Number	Question	Response			
3.1	Regulation 57 (8)				
		The detailed grounds for discretionary exclusion of an organisation are set out on this <u>webpage</u> , which should be referred to before completing these questions.			
	the following situations have applied to	ate if, within the past three years, anywhere in the world any of g situations have applied to you, your organisation or any other has powers of representation, decision or control in the			
3.1 (a)	Breach of environmental	Yes □			
	obligations?	No □			
		If yes, please provide details at 3.2			
3.1 (b)	Breach of social obligations?	Yes □			
		No 🗆			
2.1 (a)	Drooch of lohour low obligations?	If yes, please provide details at 3.2			
3.1 (c)	Breach of labour law obligations?	Yes □			
		No If you please provide details at 3.2			
3.1 (d)	Bankrupt or is the subject of	If yes, please provide details at 3.2 Yes □			
3 (3)	insolvency or winding-up	No □			
	proceedings, where the	If yes, please provide details at 3.2			
	organisation's assets are being				
	administered by a liquidator or by the court, where it is in an arrangement				
	Court, where it is in an arrangement				

	with anoditors, where its business	
	with creditors, where its business activities are suspended or it is in	
	any analogous situation arising from	
	a similar procedure under the laws	
	and regulations of any State?	
3.1 (e)	Guilty of grave professional	Yes □
	misconduct?	No □
		If yes, please provide details at 3.2
3.1 (f)	Entered into agreements with other	Yes □
(1)	economic operators aimed at	No □
	distorting competition?	If yes, please provide details at 3.2
3.1 (g)	Aware of any conflict of interest	Yes □
0.1 (9)	within the meaning of regulation 24	No □
	due to the participation in the	
	procurement procedure?	If yes, please provide details at 3.2
3.1 (h)	Been involved in the preparation of	Yes □
	the procurement procedure?	No □
	-	If yes, please provide details at 3.2
3.1 (i)	Shown significant or persistent	Yes
J. (1)	deficiencies in the performance of a	No □
	substantive requirement under a	If yes, please provide details at 3.2
	prior public contract, a prior contract	ii yes, piease provide details at 3.2
	with a contracting entity, or a prior	
	concession contract, which led to	
	early termination of that prior	
	contract, damages or other	
	comparable sanctions?	
3.1 (j)	Please answer the following	
	statements	
24(i) (i)	The organisation is quilty of parious	V
3.1 (j) - (i)	The organisation is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the	Yes □
	information required for the	No 🗆
	verification of the absence of grounds	If Yes, please provide details at 3.2
	for exclusion or the fulfilment of the	
	selection criteria.	
	Is the above statement true of your	
	organisation?	
		Yes □
3.1 (j) - (ii)	The organisation has withheld such	No □
	information.	If Yes, please provide details at 3.2
		ii i es, piease provide details at s.2
0.4 (1) (111)	The emperior is a set of the set	Yes □
3.1 (j) - (iii)	The organisation is not able to submit	No □
	supporting documents required under	
	regulation 59 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.	If Yes, please provide details at 3.2
	Negulations 2015.	
3.1 (j) - (iv)	The organisation has influenced the	Yes □
3.1 (j) · (iv)	decision-making process of the	No □
	contracting authority to obtain	
<u> </u>	January additionly to obtain	If Yes, please provide details at 3.2

	confidential information that may confer upon the organisation undue advantages in the procurement procedure, or to negligently provided misleading information that may have a material influence on decisions concerning exclusion, selection or award.		
3.2	If you have answered Yes to any of the explain what measures been taken to demonstrate the reliability of the organ despite the existence of a relevant gro exclusion? (Self-Cleaning)	isation	

Part 3: Selection Questions

Section 4	Economic and Financial Standing		
Question Number	Question	Response	
4.1	Are you able to provide a copy of your audited accounts for the last two years, if requested? If no, can you provide one of the following: answer with Y/N in the relevant box.	Yes □ No □	
	(a) A statement of the turnover, Profit and Loss Account/Income Statement, Balance Sheet / Statement of Financial Position and Statement of Cash Flow for the most recent year of trading for this organisation.	Yes □ No □	
	(b) A statement of the cash flow forecast for the current year and a bank letter outlining the current cash and credit position.	Yes □ No □	
	(c) Alternative means of demonstrating financial status if any of the above are not available (e.g. forecast of turnover for the current year and a statement of funding provided by the owners and/or the bank, charity accruals accounts or an alternative means of demonstrating financial status).	Yes □ No □	

Section 5	If you have indicated in the Selection Questionnaire question 1.2 that you are part of a wider group, please provide further details below:		
Question Number	Question	Response	
Name of or	ganisation		
Relationsh	Relationship to the Supplier completing these questions		
5.1	Are you able to provide parent company accounts if	Yes □	
	requested to at a later stage?	No □	
5.2	If yes, would the parent company be willing to	Yes □	
	provide a guarantee if necessary?	No □	
5.3	If no, would you be able to obtain a guarantee	Yes □	
	elsewhere (e.g. from a bank)?	No □	

Section 6	Technical and Professional Ability			
Question	Question			
Number				
6.1	Relevant experience and	contract examp	les	
	Please provide details of u either the public or private (VCSE) that are relevant to grant-funded work. Contraperformed during the past five years.	sector; voluntary, o our requirement cts for supplies or	charity or social . VCSEs may inc services should	enterprise lude samples of have been
	The named contact provide confirm the accuracy of the			n evidence to
	Consortia bids should proving has delivered similar requisions newly formed or a Specicontract) then three separations principal member(s) of the (three examples are not re	rements. If this is al Purpose Vehicl ate examples sho proposed consor	not possible (e.g. e is to be created uld be provided b tium or Special P	the consortium d for this etween the
	Where the Supplier is a Special Purpose Vehicle, or a managing agent not intending to be the main provider of the supplies or services, the information requested should be provided in respect of the main intended provider(s) or sub-contractor(s) who will deliver the contract.			
	If you cannot provide examples, see question 6.3			
	Contract 1 Contract 2 Contract 3			Contract 3
Name of cu	stomer organisation			
Point of co	ntact in the organisation			
Position in	the organisation			
E-mail add	ress			
Description	of contract			
Contract S	tart date			
Contract co	ompletion date			
	contract value			
6.2			supply chains with supply chain contract and	
	Note If this contract has a value of in excess of £5M per annum you will also be required to complete the additional section 9 below, this also applies to contracts that have an anticipated spend over a period of time re a			

	framework at 4 yrs. circa £21M estimated spend profile with a supplier even if the first years spend is less than £5M
6.3	If you cannot provide at least one example for questions 6.1, in no more than 500 words please provide an explanation for this e.g. your organisation is a new start-up, or you have provided services in the past but not under a contract.

Section 7	Modern Slavery Act 2015: Requirements under M	Modern Slavery Act	
	2015		
7.1	Are you a relevant commercial organisation as defined by section 54 ("Transparency in supply chains etc.") of the Modern Slavery Act 2015("the Act")?	□ Yes □ No	
	Bidder guidance - Bidder shall confirm they are or are not a relevant commercial organisation as defined by section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 by answering Yes or No.		
	Yes - Please provide the relevant URL in question 7.2		
	No - Please provide an explanation in question 7.3		
7.0	Scoring Criteria - For Information Only	Diagon provide	
7.2	Please only answer this question if you have answered Yes to question 7.1 in which you have confirmed that you are compliant with the annual reporting requirements contained within Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015?	Please provide relevant URL	
	If you are subject to the Modern Slavery Act then it is a requirement of the Contracting Authority in its contractual terms, for you to comply with this obligation including the Contracting Authority's right of audit under any contract awarded.		
	Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall provide the relevant URL or attachment		
	This submission must be compliant with the Modern Slavery Act to achieve a PASS.		
	If your organisation is not currently captured by the Modern Slavery Act and is not currently compliant, but will be prior to any contract award, as you will be captured by the Act upon the award then this will achieve a PASS.		
	If your organisation is captured by the Modern Slavery Act and is not currently compliant, nor will it be prior to any contract award then this will result in a FAIL		

	Please note: It is of paramount importance that any organisation needs to thoroughly consider before submitting its response, that having a UK subsidiary will not automatically mean that an overseas parent company is caught by the Modern Slavery Act, since a subsidiary may act completely independently of its parent or other group companies. Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail	
7.3	Please only answer this question if you have answered No to question 7.1 in which you have confirmed that you are not required to be compliant with the annual reporting requirements contained within Section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015? If you are subject to the Modern Slavery Act then it is a requirement of the Contracting Authority in its contractual terms, for you to comply with this obligation including the Contracting Authority's right of audit under any contract awarded. Bidder Guidance - The bidder shall provide an explanation as an attachment. If your organisation is not captured by the Modern Slavery Act please ensure that you provide a clear explanation to achieve a PASS. The Contracting Authority also actively encourages those organisations that are not captured by the Act to comply with the Spirit of the Act. Please note: It is of paramount importance that any organisation needs to thoroughly consider before submitting its response, that having a UK subsidiary will not automatically mean that an overseas parent company is caught by the Modern Slavery Act, since a subsidiary may act completely independently of its parent or other group companies. Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail	Please provide an explanation
	Sconing Cinteria - Manualory Pass/fall	

Additional Questions

Suppliers who self-certify that they meet the requirements to these additional questions will be required to provide evidence of this if they are successful at contract award stage.

Section 8	Additional Questions
8.1	Insurance
8.1 (a)	Please self-certify whether you already have, or can commit to obtain, prior to the commencement of the contract, the levels of insurance cover indicated below:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = £5M* Public Liability Insurance = £5M Professional Indemnity Insurance = £2M Product Liability Insurance = £2M
*It is a legal requirement that all companies hold Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance of £5 million as a minimum. Please note this requirement is not applicable to Sole Traders.

Section 9	Payment to Sub-contractors and Supply Chain (Self-declarations)		
Question Number	Question	Response	
	If you intend to use a supply chain for this contract, you must demonstrate you have effective systems in place to ensure a reliable supply chain. This criterion is focused on exploring your payment systems. If your response to question 9.1 is that you do not intend to use a supply chain for this contract, you are not required to complete the rest of this section		
9.1	Please confirm if you intend to use a supply chain for this contract.	☐ Yes ☐ No	
	If you answer "No" you do not need to complete the rest of this section,		
	The Bidder shall answer yes or no		
9.2	Scoring Criteria - For Information Only Please confirm that you have systems in place to	☐ Yes	
9.2	ensure that those in your supply chain are paid within your agreed contractual terms. The Bidder shall answer yes or no	☐ No ☐ N/A	
	Yes – Pass No – Fail		
	Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/Fail		
9.3	Please confirm you have procedures for resolving disputed *invoices promptly and effectively with those in your supply chain.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A	
	The Bidder shall answer yes or no		
	Yes – Pass No – Fail		
	Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail		
	Bidder guidance *Not all payments involve an invoice, this may be the submission of timesheets for a payment that is due for a services-based contract,		

	therefore procedures apply to all payments that are due.	
9.4	Please confirm whether you are a signatory to a *code or standard on payment practices. Scoring Criteria - For Information Only	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
	Bidder guidance *a payment code or standard is a voluntary initiative, where signatories agree to	
	undertake certain behaviours as a mark of good practice. For example, signatories to the Prompt Payment Code commit to paying 95% of their invoices within 60 days.	
9.5	If you have answered "Yes" to question 9.4 above, please confirm whether you have taken steps to ensure that you meet the requirements of the code or standard.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
	The Bidder shall answer yes or no	
	Yes – Pass No – Fail	
	Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail	
9.6	Requirement under the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) (Regulation 113)	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
	For all contracts entered into pursuant to a procurement carried out under the Public Contract Regulations 2015(as amended), please confirm you include 30-day payment terms in all your subcontracts (and you require your supply chain to do so) on all such contracts.	
	The Bidder shall answer yes or no	
	Yes – Pass No – Fail Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail	
9.7	Please provide the percentage of invoices *paid by you to those in your immediate supply chain on all contracts within 60 days of the receipt of the invoice in each of the last two six-month periods. This should include the percentage of invoices paid within each of the following categories: • within 30 days • in 31 to 60 days • in 61 days or more.	☐ Yes☐ No☐ N/A Please ensure you provide an explanation and supporting evidence if required to justify a 'No'
	Please include the total volume of invoices in each category. It is acceptable to cross refer to information that has previously been submitted to Government or is publicly available (provided it covers the requested	

period), in which case, please provide details and/or insert link(s):

If you are unable to demonstrate that 95% of invoices payable to your supply chain on all contracts have been paid within 60 days of the receipt of the invoice in each of the last two sixmonth periods, please explain why and if applicable what remedial steps you have taken and/or are planning to take.

The Bidder Shall answer Yes or No (with explanation) or No

Scoring Criteria - Mandatory Pass/fail

Yes – Pass Bidder guidance – a pass is

Bidder guidance – a pass is a submission that demonstrates 95% paid within 60 days

No with acceptable explanation to the Contracting Authority – Pass

Important

It is imperative to note that a 'No' with explanation will be at the sole discretion of the Contracting Authority to decide if this is a Pass or Fail, based upon the explanation and any supporting evidence.

Bidder guidance a 'No' with explanation could be, but not limited to one of the following reasons:

- 1) The bidder is a new entrant to the market who may not have a payment history.
- 2) The volume of invoices processed by the bidder as performance below the required standard may be acceptable where volumes of invoices processed are particularly high or particularly low as measurement by percentage may distort the true picture.
- 3) The bidder can satisfy the Contracting Authority that it has made any necessary changes and / or put plans in place to remedy any payment issues. This may include, for example, any structural / process / system changes, along with a timeline for improvement that is acceptable to the Contracting Authority.

No - Fail

Bidder guidance a response of 'No' without any explanation may result in a Fail

Example: A bidder is unable to confirm payment the performance required, explain or show any plans for improving payment performance, then the Contracting Authority may determine that this is grounds for exclusion.

Bidder guidance not all payments involve an invoice, this may be the submission of timesheets for a payment that is due for a services-based contract, therefore procedures apply to all payments that are due.

Evidence Requirements (questions 9.1 – 9.7)

Evidence for self-declarations (questions 9.2 - 9.7):

Prior to any contract award the following evidence will be required from the successful bidder(s) by the Contracting Authority (where the bidder has answered "Yes" to question 9.1 above) to verify the bidder's responses

Question	Evidence Requirements (questions 2-6)
9.2	A copy of your standard payment terms for all of your supply chain contracts.
9.2	Details of the systems which are in place to ensure that suppliers are paid promptly.
9.3	A copy of your procedures for resolving disputed invoices promptly and effectively.
9.3	Details of any payments of interest for late payments you have paid in the past 12 months or which became due during the past 12 months and remain payable (contractually or under late payment legislation) and, if any such payment has been made (or arose), an explanation as to why this occurred and an outline of what remedial steps have been taken to ensure this does not occur again.
9.4	Details of any code or standard on payment practices to which you are a signatory.
9.5	If you are a signatory to a code or standard on prompt payment, details of what steps you have taken to ensure that you meet the requirements of the code or standard.
9.6	A copy of your standard payment terms used with sub-contractors on public sector contracts subject to the Public Contract Regulations 2015 (as amended)

SEL5.5	Please self-certify that your organisation has a Health and Safety Policy that complies with current legislative requirements. These should consider not only were your organisation is based but also any needs that are required in the country of delivery of the procurement.
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No
Guidance	Yes – Pass
	No – Fail
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria	
Answer	Drop down menu - Yes / No
Type	

SEL5.6	Has your organisation or any of its Directors or Executive Officers	
	been in receipt of enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or equivalent body) in the last 3 years?	
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No	
Guidance	V	
	Yes – Fail* – Please provide details within SEL5.6.1 No – Pass – No response required for SEL5.6.1	
	If your answer to this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate document attachment to SEL5.6.1 of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or notices served.	
	*The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under Health and Safety legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.	
Scoring Criteria	Mandatory Pass / Fail	
Answer	Yes – Fail* – Please provide details within SEL5.6.1	
Туре	No – Pass – No response required for SEL5.6.1	
SEL5.6.1	Supporting Documentation for SEL5.6 - Enforcement/remedial orders in relation to the Health and Safety Executive (or equivalent body) in the last 3 years?	
Bidder Guidance	Where a bidder has responded 'Yes' to SEL5.6 please provide details of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes that you have made as a result of the conviction or notices served.	
	*The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under Health and Safety legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches.	
	This information should be provided as an attachment to this question. Any bidder declaring enforcement or remedial action within SEL5.6 but not providing evidence may not be considered.	
Scoring Criteria	For Information Only	
Answer	Document Upload	
Туре		
SEL5.7	Has your organisation been convicted of breaching environmental legislation, or had any notice served upon it, in the last three years by any environmental regulator or authority (including local authority)?	
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer yes or no	
Guidance	Yes – Fail* – Please provide details within SEL5.7.1 No – Pass – No response required for SEL5.7.1	

notices served.

If your answer to this question is "Yes", please provide details in a separate document attached for SEL5.7.1 of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes you have made as a result of conviction or

Scoring	*The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under environmental legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches. Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria	
Answer	Yes – Fail* – Please provide details within SEL5.7.1
Type	No – Pass – No response required for SEL5.7.1
SEL5.7.1	Supporting Documentation for SEL5.7 - breaching environmental legislation, in the last 3 years?
Bidder Guidance	Where a bidder has responded 'Yes' to SEL5.7 please provide details of the conviction or notice and details of any remedial action or changes that you have made as a result of the conviction or notices served. The Contracting Authority will not select bidder(s) that have been prosecuted or served notice under Health and Safety legislation in the last 3 years, unless the authority is satisfied that appropriate remedial action has been taken to prevent future occurrences/breaches. This information should be provided as an attachment to this question. Any bidder declaring enforcement or remedial action within SEL5.7 but not providing evidence may not be considered.
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SEL5.8	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a

SEL5.8	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check whether any of these organisations have been convicted or had a notice served upon them for infringement of environmental legislation?
Bidder	The Bidder Shall answer Yes/No/Not Applicable
Guidance	A response of 'Yes' or 'Not Applicable' will result in a pass and a response of 'No' will result in a fail against this question.
Scoring Criteria	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Answer	Multiple Choice Dropdown
Туре	
	Yes – Pass
	No – Fail
	N/A – Pass

SEL5.9	In the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your organisation by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any jurisdiction other than the UK)? And/or; In the last three years, has your organisation had a complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds of alleged unlawful discrimination?
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Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No
Guidance	
	Yes – Fail* – Please provide details within SEL5.9.1
	No – Pass – No response required within SEL5.9.1
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	explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.
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	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please
	use the attachment to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent
	unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.
	You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting
	Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken to
	prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria Answer	Yes – Fail* - Please provide details within SEL5.9.1
Type	No – Pass – No response required within SEL5.9.1
SEL5.9.1	Supporting Documentation for SEL5.9
Bidder	Where a bidder has responded 'Yes' to SEL5.9 please provide a supporting
Guidance	document attached to this question, including a summary of the nature of
Gardanos	the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to
	date.
	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your organisation, please
	use the attachment to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent
	unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.
	You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting
	Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action(s) have been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.
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	This information should be provided as an attachment to this question. Any
	bidder declaring unlawful discrimination within SEL5.9 but not providing
	evidence may not be considered.
Scoring	For Information Only
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Answer	Document Upload
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SEL5.10	If you use sub-contractors, do you have processes in place to check
	whether any of the circumstances in regard to the last three years, has any finding of unlawful discrimination been made against your
	subcontractors by an Employment Tribunal, an Employment Appeal
	Tribunal or any other court (or in comparable proceedings in any
	jurisdiction other than the UK)? And/or;
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	In the last three years, has any of your subcontractors had a
	complaint upheld following an investigation by the Equality and
	Human Rights Commission or its predecessors (or a comparable body
	in any jurisdiction other than the UK), on grounds of alleged unlawful
	discrimination?

Bidder	The Bidder Shall answer yes or no
Guidance	Yes – Fail*– Please provide details within SEL5.10.1 No – Pass – No response required within SEL5.10.1
	*If you have answered "yes" please provide a document to SEL5.10.1 providing a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.
	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your sub-contractors, please use the attachment to explain what action (if any) you have taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.
	You may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action has been taken by you and your sub-contractors to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring.
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
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Answer Type	Yes – Fail* - Please provide details within SEL5.10.1 No – Pass – No response required to SEL5.10.1
SEL5.10.1	Supporting Documentation for SEL5.10
Bidder Guidance	Where a bidder has responded 'Yes' to SEL5.10 please provide a supporting document attached to this question, including a summary of the nature of the investigation and an explanation of the outcome of the investigation to date.
	If the investigation upheld the complaint against your subcontractor, please use the attachment to explain what action (if any) your subcontractor or your organisation has taken to prevent unlawful discrimination from reoccurring.
	If it is your organisations unequivocal intention to use the same subcontractor? should you be successful in being awarded this procurement opportunity, you may be excluded if you are unable to demonstrate to the Contracting Authority's satisfaction that appropriate remedial action(s) have been taken to prevent similar unlawful discrimination reoccurring. This information should be provided as an attachment to this question.
	Any bidder declaring unlawful discrimination within SEL5.10 but not providing evidence may not be considered.
Scoring	For Information Only
Criteria	·
Answer	Document Upload
Туре	
SEI 2 12	General Data Protection Regulations (GDRP) Act and the Data

SEL2.12	General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) Act and the Data Protection Act 2018
	The GDPR is a mandatory requirement for all contracts or agreements both in the Public and the private sectors that involves the transfer and processing of personal data, which came into force on the 25th May 2018.

	It is mandatory for bidders to demonstrate that they are able to meet the technical requirements and obligations prescribed by the GDPR. All contracts or agreements that are awarded by the Contracting Authority (the data controller) shall contain terms and conditions that oblige the successful bidder and any bidder supply chain (data processor) used under this DPS to comply with the GDPR and indemnify the Contracting Authority (data controller).
	Further information and helpful guidance relating to the GDPR is available from the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) at: https://ico.org.uk/
Bidder Guidance	The Contracting Authority actively encourages all bidders to ensure that they visit the ICO website via the advised link and understand the implications of the GDPR and have your Data Protection Officer complete this section if you have one or attentively seek external professional advice before completing this section of your bid
	Bidders can answer
	Yes – We can demonstrate full compliance as is required by the GDPR now – Pass
	No – We will not be compliant prior to any award and we have no intention of being compliant – Fail
Scoring Criteria	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Answer Type	Yes – We can demonstrate full compliance as is required by the GDPR now – Pass
	No – We will not be compliant prior to any award and we have no intention of being compliant – Fail

SEL2.13	Data Storage
	Please confirm where GDPR data will be stored for the duration of this Contract, including any additional Countries that data may be transferred to throughout the life of this Contract.
Bidder Guidance	Bidders are required to confirm where GDPR data will be stored for the duration of this Contract, including any additional Countries that data may be transferred to throughout the life of this Contract
	Please note, where bidders confirm that data may be stored or transferred outside of the UK, there may be a requirement to include additional Contract Clauses to ensure GDPR Compliance.
Scoring Criteria	For Information Only
Answer Type	Document Upload

FOI1.1	FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 (FOIA) AND / OR ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 (EIR)

	Information provided in the course of the procurement process may be disclosed under Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulations 2004.
	Please note that some of the information provided may be protected under the FOIA exemptions and EIR exceptions. More information on applying the exemptions or exceptions can be found under the information Commissioners Office (ICO) website http://ico.org.uk
	Please confirm you have been informed that information provided under this Bid may be disclosed under the FOIA and EIR and agree to it being published.
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No
Guidance	
	Yes – Pass
	No - Fail
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria	
Answer	Drop down menu - Yes / No
Type	

FOI1.2	FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 AND / OR ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 EXEMPTIONS Please complete this section only if you have agreed for your information to be disclosed under the FOIA or EIR in FOI1.1 If you have not agreed for your information to be disclosed under the FOIA or EIR in Question FOI1.1 please complete each field 'N/A' (not applicable) If you have agreed for your information to be disclosed under the FOIA or
	EIR in Question FOI1.1 please tell us what exemptions or exceptions may apply to your information and why?
Bidder Guidance	The Bidder shall provide details of their proposed exemptions/exception in the fields below.
	The Bidder shall note that if the Contracting Authority believes that the suggested exemptions or exceptions have not been applied properly, the Contracting Authority will disclose the requested information unless another exemption or exception can be applied by the Contracting Authority.
	Be aware that by completing FOI1.1 and answering 'yes' you have agreed for the Contracting Authority to disclose the provided information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 or Environmental Information Regulation 2004; therefore, you will not be approached for consent.
	Bidders are required to complete the fields below, highlighting your proposed exemptions to this question.
	If you are not relying on any exemptions or exceptions, please complete each field 'N/A' (not applicable).
Scoring Criteria	For information only

Answer	Confidential Information and Justification for exemption/exception under
Туре	FOIA/EIR
	Large text fields
	Commercially sensitive information and Justification for
	exemption/exception under FOIA/EIR
	Large text fields

DPS Governance

DPS1.1	FORM OF BID
	I declare that to the best of my knowledge the answers submitted in this DPS are correct. I understand that the information will be used in the process to assess my organisation's suitability to be invited to big for the Contracting Authority's requirement and I am signing on behalf of my organisation. I understand that the Contracting Authority may reject this DPS if there is a failure to answer all relevant questions fully or if I provide false/misleading information.
	I understand that the Government's transparency agenda requires that sourcing documents, including DPS templates such as this, are published on a designated, publicly searchable web site, and, that the same applies to other sourcing documents issued by the Contracting Authority, including the DPS, and any contract entered into by the Contracting Authority or its Customers with its preferred supplier once the procurement is complete.
	By submitting a response to this DPS, I agree that our participation may be made public.
	I understand that the answers given in this response may be published on the web site (but elements may be redacted under Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) or Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR)).
	By submitting a response to this DPS, I agree and accept the justification for the Contracting Authority's evaluation criteria.
	By submitting a response to this DPS I agreed and accept that the Contracting Authority reserves the right to change without notice the procedure for awarding the Contract, to reject any or all bids for the Contract, to stop the process and not award the Contract (in whole or in part) at any time without any liability on its part.
	By submitting a response to this DPS, I agree and accept that nothing in this process is intended to form any express or implied contractual relationship between the Parties unless and until a Contract is awarded. The Contracting Authority is not liable for any costs resulting from cancellation of this process nor any costs incurred by Bidders taking part in this procurement process.
	I understand that where sourcing documents issued by the

	Contracting Authority or contracts with its suppliers fall to be disclosed The Contracting Authority will redact them as it thinks necessary, having regard (inter alia) to the exemptions/exceptions in the FOIA or EIR.
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No
Guidance	
	Yes – Pass
	No - Fail
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria	
Bidder	Drop down menu - Yes / No
Response	

Compliance to the Contract Terms

DPS4.1	Please confirm your acceptance of the Contract Terms that can be found within the Stage One: Overview section.
Bidder Guidance	The Bidder shall answer Yes , No with justification or No
	Yes, we accept the terms and condition in their entirety – Pass
	No with justification – Pass. See complete the document upload attached to DPS4.2 with details of what amounts to a valid justification.
	No – Fail
	For absolute clarity should a bidder select 'Yes' or 'No' you are not required to respond to DPS4.2, however if you select 'No with Justification' you will be required to complete DPS4.2 in order to be considered.
Scoring Criteria	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Answer Type	Multiple Choice Dropdown
	Yes, we accept the terms and condition in their entirety – Pass No with justification – Pass. Complete the document upload attached to DPS4.2 with details of what amounts to a valid justification. No – Fail

DPS4.2	Where a Bidder has answered question DPS4.1 with 'No with justification' they must detail the justification and the proposed change to the clause.
	Where a bidder has responded 'Yes' or 'No' to DPS4.1 you are not required to respond to this question.
Bidder	A justification for not accepting a specific clause or series of clauses from the
Guidance	attached Contract Terms is that the Bidder would be in breach of legal
	requirements or statutory regulations by complying with that clause or series
	of clauses (i.e. for the avoidance of doubt, being unable to comply with a
	clause or series of clauses because of an internal policy reason will not be
	considered to be a justification for a legal requirement or statutory regulation).

	Where the Bidder has answered question DPS4.1 as "no with justification", the Bidder shall provide a Contract mark-up utilising track changes detailing the relevant clause, the proposed changes to the clause and the justification for the changes. In this case, the Bidder shall score a pass if (but only if) the Contracting Authority considers both the following requirements are satisfied:
	the reasons stated as justifying the Bidder's statement that it cannot accept the Contract Terms due to legal requirements or statutory regulations are valid; and
	the changes submitted do not create significant risk for the Contracting Authority and are reasonably necessary and proportionate to ensure the Bidder complies with the legal requirements and statutory regulations.
	Where a Bidder has answered Question DPS4.1 with 'Yes' or 'No' it must answer 'not applicable' to achieve a Pass to question DPS4.2 (noting that an answer of 'No' to question DPS4.1 has already resulted in a fail).
	In the event of a Bidder answering Yes or No to Question DPS4.1 and then providing a proposed mark up, rejection of a clause or a justification for a change then the response will be a Fail.
Scoring Criteria	Mandatory Pass/Fail
Answer Type	Document Upload

DPS Category Selection

PROJ1.1	Bidders are to confirm the categories for which you intend to apply.
Bidder Guidance	The Bidder shall choose the categories for which they intend to apply from the following list:
	1 Microscope, Optical
	2 Microscope, Electron
	3 Microscope, X-ray
	4 Microscope, Other
	5 Imaging and quantification
	6 Plate Readers
	7 Spectrometers 8 Camera systems
	8 Camera systems 9 Chromatography, Liquid
	10 Chromatography, Gas
	11 Chromatography, Other
	12 Diffractometers
	13 Local Exhaust Ventilation
	14 Media Kitchen/ Glass wash
	15 Sterilisation/Purification Systems
	16 Flat optics
	17 Lenses
	18 Curved mirrors (parabolas, spherical etc.)

	19 Gain media
	20 Active optical components
	21 Autoclaves/ Incubators/ Ovens
	22 Shakers
	23 Thin Film Coating Plants
	24 Critical point dryer
	25 Biochemistry, Electrophoresic
	26 DNA preparation, amplification and analysis
	27 Cold storage
	28 Centrifuges & Rotors
	29 General Lab
	30 Micromachining Systems
	31 Medical Equipment
	32 Clinical specimen analysis
	33 Animal measurements
	34 Cell handling equipment
	35 Radiation monitoring equipment
	36 Pulsed Lasers
	37 Electronic Equipment
	38 BioPhysics
	39 Vacuum Equipment
	40 Natural Environment Analysers
	41 Weighing Equipment
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Scoring	For information only
Criteria	
Answer	Multiple Selection
Туре	

PROJ1.2	Contact Details
	Please confirm that you understand that it is your responsibility to ensure that your contact details stay up to date for the duration of this DPS.
Bidder	The Bidder shall answer Yes or No
Guidance	
	Yes – Pass
	No – Fail
Scoring	Mandatory Pass / Fail
Criteria	
Answer	Yes – Pass
Туре	No – Fail