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**United Kingdom-Didcot: Network equipment
2015/S 029-048581**

Contract notice

Supplies

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: www.ja.net

Electronic access to information: <https://tenders.ja.net>

Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate: <https://tenders.ja.net>

Further information can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from: The above mentioned contact point(s)

Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to: The above mentioned contact point(s)

I.2) Type of the contracting authority

Other: national education and research network provider

I.3) Main activity

Education

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

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes
As per information provided within Section II.2.1

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1) Description

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

Supply and Support of Routing and Switching Equipment.

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

Supplies

Purchase

NUTS code UKJ14

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

The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement

II.1.4) Information on framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged: 50

Duration of the framework agreement

Duration in years: 4

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

Estimated value excluding VAT:

Range: between 60 000 000 and 100 000 000 GBP

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

Janet(UK) wishes to establish a multi-supplier framework agreement to replace the existing multi-supplier framework to enable Janet(UK) and other scoped organisations to purchase routing and switching equipment plus any required support services.

II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

32420000, 32413100, 72000000, 50312310

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

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

II.1.8) Lots

This contract is divided into lots: yes

Tenders may be submitted for one or more lots

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:

Janet (UK) wishes to establish a multi-supplier framework agreement to supply and support routing and switching equipment from a number of different manufacturers.

The framework agreement envisaged is for the supply and support of a broad range of routing and switching equipment; from low end customer premises equipment (CPE), through to mid-range enterprise and high-end carrier class type equipment supporting up to 100 Gigabit Ethernet.

The scope of the framework covers purchases by Janet (UK), Higher Education institutions, Further Education and Specialist Colleges and Research Council establishments in the UK, Regional Network Operators (RNOs) and by any other bodies whose core purpose is the support or advancement of further or higher education or of research.

Many of the above bodies are members of higher and further education purchasing consortia. These are independent organisations that provide a wide range of collaborative purchase agreements to their member institutions through consensus and the common desire to maximise their purchasing power in the market place.

Any member of one of these consortia will be eligible to purchase from this framework by virtue of its membership, as will members of any other similar purchasing consortium in higher or further education that might be formed during the lifetime of the Service.

Membership lists for existing higher and further education purchasing consortia may be found at:

<http://www.lupc.ac.uk/list-of-members.html>

<http://supc.procureweb.ac.uk/about-us>

<http://www.nwupc.ac.uk/our-members>

<http://www.neupc.ac.uk/our-members>
<http://www.hepcw.ac.uk/files/2013/12/HEPCW-Members.pdf>
<http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk/#!/members>
<http://www.wfepc.com/english/>

Janet provides services to many Local Authority education networks, in support of ICT provision in schools and in adult and community learning. The National Educational Network is a dedicated, educationally focused resource for teaching and learning. A number of regional networks are constituent parts of The National Education Network. These are operated by the Regional Broadband Consortia.

A full list of members of the Consortia is available at: <http://www.nen.gov.uk>

II.2.2) **Information about options**

Options: yes

Description of these options: Janet (UK) wishes to set up a framework agreement for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for up to a further 2 years subject to satisfactory performance.

II.2.3) **Information about renewals**

This contract is subject to renewal: no

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

Duration in months: 48 (from the award of the contract)

Information about lots

Lot No: 1

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Aruba equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 1, JANET (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Aruba equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 2

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Brocade equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 2, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Brocade equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 3

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Ciena equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 3, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Ciena equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 4

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Cisco equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 4, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Cisco equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 5

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Extreme equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 5, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Extreme equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 6

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of HP equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 6, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain HP equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 7

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Huawei equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 7, Janet(UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Huawei equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 8

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Juniper equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 8, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Juniper equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 9

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of Palo Alto equipment or equivalent

1) **Short description**

In Lot 9, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain Palo Alto equipment or equivalent.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Lot No: 10

Lot title: Supply and maintenance of other routing and switching equipment

1) **Short description**

In Lot 10, Janet (UK) wishes to establish a framework agreement with bidders that can supply and maintain other routing and switching equipment.

2) **Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

32420000, 32413100, 50312310

3) **Quantity or scope**

The scope of the framework agreement will cover purchases by Janet (UK) and Janet connected organisations, regional network operators and members of the purchasing and regional broadband consortia.

4) **Indication about different date for duration of contract or starting/completion**

5) **Additional information about lots**

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) **Conditions relating to the contract**

III.1.1) **Deposits and guarantees required:**

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

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

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: Grounds for discretionary rejection as set out in Article 45 items 2(a), (b), (c), (d) and (g) of EU directive 2004/18/EC:

(a) is bankrupt or is being wound up, where his affairs are being administered by the court, where he has entered into an arrangement with creditors, where he has suspended business activities or is in any analogous situation arising from a similar procedure under national laws and regulations;

(b) is the subject of proceedings for a declaration of bankruptcy, for an order for compulsory winding up or administration by the court or of an arrangement with creditors or of any other similar proceedings under national laws and regulations;

(c) has been convicted by a judgement which has the force of res judicata in accordance with the legal provisions of the country of any offence concerning his professional conduct;

(d) has been guilty of grave professional misconduct proven by any means which the contracting authorities can demonstrate;

(g) is guilty of serious misrepresentation in supplying the information required under this section or has not supplied such information;

Grounds for mandatory rejection as set out in Regulation 23(1) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2006:

(a) conspiracy within the meaning of section 1 or 1A of the Criminal Law Act 1977 or article 9 or 9A of the Criminal Attempts and Conspiracy (Northern Ireland) Order 1983 where that conspiracy relates to participation in a criminal organisation as defined in Article 2 of Council Framework Decision 2008/841/JHA

(b) corruption within the meaning of section 1(2) of the Public Bodies Corrupt Practices Act 1889 or section 1 of the Prevention of Corruption Act 1906 where the offence relates to active corruption;

(c) the offence of bribery, where the offence relates to active corruption;

(d) fraud, where the offence relates to fraud affecting the European Communities' financial interests as defined by Article 1 of the Convention on the protection of the financial interests of the European Communities, within the meaning of —

(i) the offence of cheating the Revenue;

(ii) the offence of conspiracy to defraud;

(iii) fraud or theft within the meaning of the Theft Act 1968, the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969, the Theft Act 1978 or the Theft (Northern Ireland) Order 1978;

(iv) fraudulent trading within the meaning of section 458 of the Companies Act 1985, article 451 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1986 or section 993 of the Companies Act 2006;

(v) fraudulent evasion within the meaning of section 170 of the Customs and Excise Management Act 1979 or section 72 of the Value Added Tax Act 1994;

(vi) an offence in connection with taxation in the European Union within the meaning of section 71 of the Criminal Justice Act 1993;

(vii) destroying, defacing or concealing of documents or procuring the execution of a valuable security within the meaning of section 20 of the Theft Act 1968 or section 19 of the Theft Act (Northern Ireland) 1969;

(viii) fraud within the meaning of section 2, 3 or 4 of the Fraud Act 2006; or

(ix) making, adapting, supplying or offering to supply articles for use in frauds within the meaning of section 7 of the Fraud Act 2006;

(e) money laundering within the meaning of section 340 (11) of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002;

(f) any other offence within the meaning of Article 45 (1) of the Public Sector Directive as defined by the national law of any relevant State.

III.2.2) **Economic and financial ability**

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met: The supplier shall provide evidence of financial and economic standing, as specified in Article 47 of EU directive 2004/18/EC.

III.2.3) **Technical capacity**

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

As provided within the Pre-qualification Questionnaire.

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required:

As provided within the Pre-qualification Questionnaire.

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**

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 minimum number 10: and maximum number 50

Objective criteria for choosing the limited number of candidates: As provided within the Pre-qualification Questionnaire.

- 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:**
- 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: 6.3.2015 - 12:00
Payable documents: no
- IV.3.4) **Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**
9.3.2015 - 12:00
- IV.3.5) **Date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates**
17.4.2015
- 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**
- IV.3.8) **Conditions for opening of tenders**
Date: 28.5.2015 - 12:01
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**
Each interested supplier is required to register its intention to submit a response to this PQQ via the Janet(UK) e-tendering opportunities portal at: <https://tenders.ja.net>
- 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:**
6.2.2015