



Acquisition

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# Notification of Intent

Continuation of support Services for the NCI Agency Ops Centre, with regards to telecommunication and information systems.

#### Estimated Value: 3,300 K Euro

Base period of 9 months + 4 times 6 months

option)

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The formal IFB is planned to be issued on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2014 with a Bid Closing Date on the 02<sup>nd</sup> of December 2014 and Contract Award early January 2015.

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Subject: Notification of Intent to Invite Bids for International Competitive Bidding

Continuation of support services for the NCI-Agency Ops Centre IFB NCIA-NCHQ-14-15

1. Notice is hereby given of the intent of the NATO CI Agency, to issue an Invitation for Bid (IFB) in relation to the continuation of support services for the NCI-Agency Operations Centre with regards to telecommunication and information systems.

2. The reference for the request for quotation is IFB NCIA-NCHQ-14-15, and all correspondence concerning this RFQ should reference this number.

3. The estimated cost for the services and deliverables included within the basic scope of the intended contract is 3,300 K EUROS. This includes Base period of 9 months + 4 (6 months option). The primary purpose of the support services is to provide the Operations Centre with 1st and 2nd level support personnel for maintaining IT service delivery across the NATO network services infrastructure; including bandwidth management equipment, IP switching & routing; VTC solutions and Service Desk capabilities.

4. NCI Agency will make use of International Competitive Bidding (ICB) Procedure for this procurement with a source selection process of lowest price technically compliant.

5. It is planned to place a single contract for the entire scope of work. No partial bidding will be allowed.

6. The formal IFB is planned to be issued on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October 2014 with a Bid Closing Date on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December 2014 and Contract Award early January 2015.

7. The successful Bidder will be required to handle and store classified information up to the level of 'NATO UNCLASSIFIED'. In addition, contractor personnel working on NATO sites will be required to hold individual security clearances of 'NATO SECRET' and two individuals will be required to hold 'NATO TOP SECRET' security clearances. Only companies maintaining such cleared facilities and the appropriate personnel clearances will be able to perform the resulting contract.



8. Bidders are advised that there will be a tentative bid validity of 6 months from the closing date for receipt of bids. Should the selection and award procedure extend beyond 6 months after the Bid Closing Date, firms will be requested to voluntarily extend the validity of their bids. Bidders may decline to do so, withdraw their bid and excuse themselves from the bidding process without penalty.

9. The IFB package will be NATO UNCLASSIFIED.

10. National responsible authorities are kindly requested that the NCI Agency be provided with Declarations of Eligibility, not later than 20th of October 2014 of qualified and certified firms which are interested in bidding for this project. In addition to the certifications of the firm's security clearance required under this NOI, the Declarations of Eligibility shall include the following information for each of the nominated firms: name of the firm, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address and Point of contact. This information is critical to enable prompt and accurate communication with prospective Bidders and should be sent to the following address:

NATO CI Agency Building 302 Annex Room 111 7010 SHAPE, Belgium Attention: Contracting Officer

e-mail: <u>yseult.godimus@ncia.nato.int</u>

11. It is emphasised that requests for participation in this competition received directly from individual firms cannot be considered.

12. Any inquiries with regards to this notification should be made directly to the Contracting Officer, at email <u>yseult.godimus@ncia.nato.int</u> or telephone: +32 (0) 65 44 6103.

13. Your assistance in this procurement is greatly appreciated.

FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER:

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Principal Contracting Officer



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