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Notification of Intent

**Project Title: Extend the In-Service Life of the LINC-E Capability
Serial 2015/OCM03998
RFQ-CO-14300-LINCE**

€5.4 Million

The resulting Contract awarded as a consequence of this Request For Quotation (RFQ) will supply the required components to extend the lifetime of the LINC-E systems. Once delivered by the project, these CIS elements will be installed by NATO and will replace obsolescent hardware and software without increasing the functional capabilities of the system.

The formal RFQ is planned to be issued in May 2016 with a Bid Closing Date in July 2016 and Contract Award in August 2016.

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Subject: Notification of Intent to Invite Bids for Basic Ordering Agreement for the Contract to Extend the In-Service Life of the LINC-E Capability

Extend the In-Service Life of the LINC-E Capability

RFQ-CO-14300-LINCE



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and Information Agency
Agence OTAN d'information
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References: A. AC/4-D/2261 (1996 Edition)
B. AC/4(PP)D/27510-ADD1 dated 14 March 2016
C. AC/4 DS (2016) 0008

1. In accordance with paragraph 6 of Reference A, notice is hereby given of the intent of the NCI Agency, as the Host Nation, to issue a Request For Quotation (RFQ) for the Project to Extend the In-Service Life of the LINC-E Capability.
2. The Contractor will be responsible for the supply and delivery of Network Equipment including Routers, Firewalls, Switches, Backup Servers, Core Servers and V2 Equipment. The integration of this equipment will be carried out internally by NATO. The technical specifications of the equipment will be described in the Statement of Work.
3. A summary of the requirements of the project is set forth in Annex A, attached to this letter.
4. The reference for the RFQ is **RFQ-CO-14300-LINCE**, and all correspondence concerning the RFQ should reference this number.
5. The scope of work for this project has been authorised as recommended by references B and C. The estimated cost for the services and deliverables included within the basic scope of the intended contract is EUR 5.4M. This includes 1 year warranty.
6. It is planned to place a single contract for the entire scope of work. No partial bidding will be allowed.
7. The successful bid will be that bid which is the lowest price and technically compliant in accordance with the evaluation criteria prescribed in the RFQ.
8. The formal RFQ is planned to be issued in May 2016 with a Bid Closing Date in July 2016 and Contract Award in August 2016.
9. The authorised bidding procedure for this RFQ is the Basic Ordering Agreement Plus (BOA+) procedure with the opportunity for National Responsible Authorities, in response to this NOI, to nominate bidders in addition to the firms included in the attached list of identified vendors.
10. Companies that have not a signed and activated BOA may also be nominated by the National Authorities via their associated Delegation/Mission to NATO who will provide the requisite Declaration of Eligibility (DoE) to NCI Agency enabling the Company to be added to the bidders list.

11. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of Reference A, national responsible authorities are kindly requested that the NCI Agency be provided with Declarations of Eligibility, **not later than 1st June 2016**, of qualified and certified firms which are interested in bidding for this project. In addition to the certification of the firm's security clearance required under this NOI, the Declarations of Eligibility should 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:

NCI Agency
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1110 Brussels, Belgium
Attention: Ms Esther Asensio Broodkorn

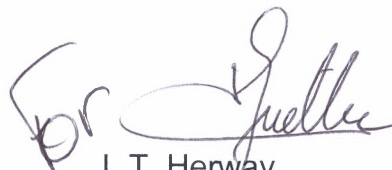
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12. Bidders will be required to declare a bid validity of twelve (12) months from closing date for receipt of bids, supported by a Bid Guarantee of Euro 250,000.00 (*two hundred and fifty thousand Euros*). Should the selection and award procedure exceed the Bid Closing Date by more than twelve (12) months firms will be requested to voluntarily extend the validity of their bids and Bid Guarantee accordingly. Bidders may decline to do so, withdraw their bid and excuse themselves from the bidding process without penalty.
13. It is emphasised that requests for participation in this competition received directly from individual firms cannot be considered.
14. Your assistance in this procurement is greatly appreciated.

FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER:



L.T. Herway
Chief of Contracts

Attachment(s):

Annex A- Summary of the Requirements
Annex B – List of Potential Bidders

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ANNEX A - SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS

Extend the In-Service Life of the LINC-E Capability

1. Description of Project Background

1.1. In the frame of the Deployable CIS mitigation plan 2016-2022 to fill a capability gap on the DCIS system, NATO intends to extend in operational service the existing LINC-E systems until 2019 by addressing obsolescence of the CIS equipment.

1.2. The LINC-E systems are the main DCIS equipment in use for the NATO Response Force. LINC-E systems were designed internally by NATO and built with COTS devices.

2. Description of Project Scope

2.1. This project scope is to supply the required components to extend the lifetime of the LINC-E systems. Once delivered by the project, these CIS elements will be installed by NATO and will replace obsolescent hardware and software without increasing the functional capabilities of the system.

2.2. The project will deliver the different components in the specified quantity :

- Black Core Router	(quantity : x 13)
- NU Access Router	(x 13)
- NS Access Router	(x 13)
- MS Access Router	(x 13)
- NU Distribution switch	(x 13)
- NS Distribution switch	(x 13)
- MS Distribution switch	(x 13)
- Firewall for Internal Protection (IDS/IPS)	(x 36)
- Firewall for Boundary Protection	(x 10)
- Call Manager NU	(x 5)
- Call Manager MS / NS	(x 6)
- V2 Router & SBC	(x 10)
- V2 Router only	(x 13)
- Telephones NU	(x 602)
- Telephones NS/MS	(x 194)
- Core Services Servers	(x 90)
- Data Backup (NU and MS/NS) Servers	(x 20)
- Symantec backup licences	(x 20)
VTC suite	(x 4)

ANNEX B – LIST OF POTENTIAL BIDDERS

Prospective Bidders List: (alphabetically per country)

ALBANIA

TCN shpk

BELGIUM

AKACIO

Astron N.V.

Computacenter NV

Computer Sciences Corporation

Dimension Data Belgium

Getronics Belgium SA/NV

Global Knowledge Belgium bvba

RealDolmen NV

Simac ICT Belgium

Telindus NV

Thales S.A.

UNIFY COMMUNICATIONS

Van Roey Automation NV

BULGARIA

Lirex BG Ltd

CANADA

Network Innovations Inc.

CROATIA

CS Computer Systems Ltd

CZECH REPUBLIC

Damovo Ceska republika s.r.o.

SITEL, spol. s.r.o.

ESTONIA

Telegrupp AS

FRANCE

Cassidian SAS

GERMANY

CONET Solutions GmbH

Cognizant Consulting and Services GmbH

FREQUENTIS Deutschland GmbH

Hewlett Packard GmbH

KB Impuls Service GmbH

Rohde & Schwarz GmbH & Co. KG

T-Systems International GmbH
Thales Electronic Systems GmbH
XORTEC GmbH

GREECE

European Dynamics SA
Info-Quest SA
PC SYSTEMS S.A.

HUNGARY

S&T Consulting Hungary Ltd.
Synergon Information Systems plc-Synergon Integrator Kft

ITALY

ITEL SRL
Italtel
NA.EL.SRL
SMS Engineering srl

LATVIA

Baltic Information & Security Systems
Datakom LTD

LITHUANIA

Blue Bridge

NETHERLANDS

Go Hardware
Network Innovations B.V.
PQR bv
SurCom International BV
TTEC Computers BV – Transtec AG
Tucana Telecom B.V.
UNI Business Centre BV

NORWAY

3D perception AS
Airbus Defence and Space
Atea Norge AS
Evry

POLAND

Consortia Sp. z o.o
Produs S.A.
QUMAK S.A.
Solidex S.A.
VOL Sp. z o.o. Sp.k.
Zbar Phu Mariusz Popenda

ROMANIA

UTI Grup S.A.

SLOVAKIA

Aliter Technologies a.s.

TURKEY

E+M Elektrik Sistem Hizmetleri Ltd. Sti.
Kuantta Insaat Taahhut Elektronik Turizm
Suta Insaat ve Muhendislik Sirketi

UNITED KINGDOM

API Europe Ltd
Audax
Verizon Business
Voice Concepts Ltd.

UNITED STATES

AATD, LLC
Altima Group International, Inc.(AGI)
AS Global
AT&T Government Solutions, Inc.
Affigent, LLC
BAE Systems Information Solutions Inc.
DRS Technical Services, Inc
EMW, Inc.
Honeywell Technology Solutions Inc.
Intelligent Waves LLC
K3 Enterprises, Inc.
ManTech International Corporation
Mutual Telecom Services Inc. d/b/a BlackBox Network Services Government
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Pegasus Professional Services LLC
PlanIT Group LLC
SAIC
Spacenet Integrated Government Solutions
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Trace Systems
TranTech Inc.
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