

## **TASK Based Professional Services (TSPS) Requirement**

***Please note that the TSPS NPP MUST be published simultaneously with the issuance of the invitation to suppliers.***

This requirement is for: **Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada**

This requirement is open only to those **Supply Arrangement Holders under E60ZT-16TSPS** who qualified under Tier 1 for the following category(ies):

**2.12 Evaluation Services Consultant Level 3**

**2.12 Evaluation Services Consultant Level 2**

**2.12 Evaluation Services Consultant Level 1**

**The following SA Holders have been invited to submit a proposal.**

1. 7792395 Canada Inc.
2. Auguste Solutions and Associates Inc.
3. Beyond Technologies
4. Cathexis Consulting Inc.
5. Cheminfo Services Inc..
6. MHPM-Tiree Joint Venture
7. Ference & Company Consulting Ltd.
8. KPMG LLP
9. Mindwire Systems Ltd.
10. Modis Canada Inc
11. Olav Consulting Corp
12. PRA Inc.
13. Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP
14. TEKsystems
15. The Strategic Review Group Inc.

### **Description of the Requirement:**

As part of its five-year Integrated Audit and Evaluation Plan (2019-20 to 2023-24) Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada's (AAFC) Office of Audit and Evaluation (OAE), will be conducting audits and evaluations of the Foundational Science and Research (FSR). FSR accounts for the largest amount of departmental spending, approximately \$342-million in 2018-19. With multiple program activities, captured in a single program inventory profile and logic model, current audit and evaluation methodologies may not be sufficiently agile to provide timely, relevant information for senior management.

The purpose of the Preliminary Assessment is to break down FSR into manageable engagements, considering AAFC priorities and risks, to effectively audit and evaluate the Program. The scope of the assessment includes:

Defining the activities of FSR and how they align with overall AAFC strategic outcomes.

Process mapping of FSR initiatives, as appropriate.

Defining an approach to auditing and evaluating the Program, including identifying opportunities for joint audit and evaluation engagements.

Developing a standard methodology and common output for audit and evaluation engagements.

Recommending a methodology to conduct trend analysis across programs and activities, where appropriate.

Developing evaluation strategies for 3-4 evaluation projects, based on discussions with OAE once all activities have been defined.

Proposing 2-3 audit projects, with preliminary plans, based on discussions with OAE, after all activities have been defined.

**Level of Security Requirement:**

**Company Minimum Security Level Required**

**Secret**

**Resource Minimum Security Level Required**

**Secret**

**Applicable Trade Agreements:**

**North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA).**

**Proposed period of contract:**

The proposed period of contract shall be from **contract award to March 31,2020.**

**Estimated Level of Effort:**

The estimated level of effort of the contract will be as required.

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***NOTE: The Task and Solutions Professional Services (TSPS) Method of Supply is subject to quarterly refresh cycles. If you wish to find out how you can be a "Qualified SA Holder", please contact [SPTS.TSPS@TPSGC-PWGSC.GC.CA](mailto:SPTS.TSPS@TPSGC-PWGSC.GC.CA)***

