SHARED SERVICES CANADA
Challenge-Based Standing Offer Solicitation (CBSOS) - Initial
For
Cloud-based Security Services (CSS)

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Closing Dates and Times 1. Invitation to Qualify Solutions 2. Solicitation Closing - SP/OEM 3. Solicitation Closing - Resellers	1. April 11, 2022 at 15:00 2. (To be Determined) at 15:00 3. June 30, 2022 at 15:00
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Time Zone	EDT
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Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of Vendor/Firm (type or print)	Name/Titre Signature Date

AMENDMENT NO. 7

Amendment No. 7 has been issued to:

1. Provide responses to question(s) received from potential Offerors – **see question 3.**

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Q&A No.	Amd. No.	Document(s)	Question	Response
1	06	**Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions – Tables**	**Q2 - For the requirement "WR2: Deployment Readiness: CCCS Assessment Process" (10 Points)** **The Solution OEM should provide evidence that the proposed CSS solution has completed or is in the process of completing the Canadian Centre for Cyber Security (CCCS) Cloud Service Provider (CSP) Information Technology (IT) Security Assessment Process (ITSM.50.100) (https://cyber.gc.ca/en/guidance/cloudservice-provider-information-technology-securityassessment-process-itsm50100). The Solution OEM should provide documentation from CCCS in the form of a letter, an email or a report that confirms that the process is complete or is in progress.** *Will the Crown please confirm that all solution providers will need to meet PBMM data residency requirements (as assessed by CCCS) in order to be considered for a Standing Offer?* *In the past, this has been a mandatory requirement, why is it only a rated requirement at this time?*	At this time, CSS solutions are expected to meet Protected B/Medium/Medium (PBMM) requirements in order to be used in production environments that process PBMM data. The WR2 requirement is rated for the purposes of the pre-screening activity only.
2	06	**Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions – Tables**	**For the requirement "WR5: Data Residency" (Up to 10 Points)** **The Solution OEM should provide evidence that the CSS solution is currently deployed in an environment where the data and control**	At this time, CSS solutions are expected to meet PBMM requirements in order to be used in production environments that process PBMM data.

			planes of the solution reside within Canada. The Solution OEM must provide documentation that confirms the solution satisfies this requirement. *Will the Crown please confirm that all solution providers will need to meet PBMM data residency requirements (as assessed by CCCS) in order to be considered for a Standing Offer?* *In the past, this has been a mandatory requirement, why is it only a rated requirement at this time?*	The WR2 requirement is rated for the purposes of the pre-screening activity only.
3	01 & 04	**(a) Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions – Tables** **(b) Attachment A - Statement of Challenge**	**M1 – Cloud-based perimeter security services f) Recognize file transfers via SCP and SFTP, to be inspected by other security services, such as an SSH Inspection** *Will the crown please change this to a rated requirement or remove it completely? It is our opinion that this is a very niche requirement and use case. Since this will be a standing offer for very broad cloud security requirements, this niche feature may eliminate some OEMs and should therefore not be a mandatory requirement.*	Yes, the Crown **will remove** *M1 – Cloud-based perimeter security services (f) Recognize file transfers via SCP and SFTP, to be inspected by other security services, such as an SSH Inspection* from **Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions – Table 2: Mandatory Requirements (pg. 16).** **NOTE:** *M1 – Cloud-based perimeter security services (f) Recognize file transfers via SCP and SFTP, to be inspected by other security services, such as an SSH Inspection* **will now be added as NCR27** to the 'Non-Compulsory Requirement' section of the **Attachment A - Statement of Challenge (page 14-16).** **SUMMARY:** *Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions* **– Table 2: Mandatory Requirements** **REMOVE (pg. 10):** **M1– Cloud-based perimeter security services** **The solution must provide cloud-based perimeter security services. The solution OEM must demonstrate that the CSS solutions provides the following list of perimeter security services:** f) **Recognize file transfers via SCP and SFTP, to be inspected by other**

				security services, such as an SSH Inspection. *Attachment A - Statement of Challenge.* <mark>**INSERT (pg. 16):**</mark> **NCR27** **- Cloud-based perimeter security services** **The solution must provide cloud-based perimeter security services. The solution OEM must demonstrate that the CSS solutions provide the following list of perimeter security services:** f) **Recognize file transfers via SCP and SFTP, to be inspected by other security services, such as an SSH Inspection.**

All other terms set forth in the CBSOS shall remain unchanged and this Amendment No. 7 and the CBSOS shall be deemed a single, integrated document for all purposes.

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The following is a summary of Attachments/Amendments issued to date for this solicitation:

Solicitation Document	Date	Description	Documents Released
CBSOS	March 4, 2022	Release of CBSOS – initial for Cloud-Based Security Services (CBSS)	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._1_-_en.pdf
Amendment 1	March 15, 2022	Amendment No. 1 issued to: • Seek feedback from SP/OEM Offerors on the attached Cloud-based Security Services (CSS); • Solution Pre-Screening Process, via the OEM: Pre-Selection Questionnaire; • Change the project name; • Change the heading of Stage 4: SP/OEM - Invitation to Qualify; • Revise Stage 4: SP/OEM - Invitation to Qualify; and • Revise the Attachment A - Statement of Challenge.	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._2_-_en.pdf 2. css_solution_pre-screening_for_consultation_-_en.pdf 3. css_-_attachment_a_-_statement_of_challenge_partial_-_en.pdf 4. annex_a_-_schedule_1_-_security_obligations_-_en.pdf 5. annex_a_-_schedule_2_-_privacy_obligations_-_en.pdf
Amendment 2	March 16, 2022	Amendment No. 2 issued to: • Provide information/link to the CSS Bilingual Information Webinar being held on Thursday March 17th, 2022 (1 p.m. – 3p.m)	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._2_-_en.pdf
Amendment 3	March 25, 2022	Amendment No. 3 issued to: • Posting of the CSS Bilingual Information Webinar deck to Buy & Sell.	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._3_-_en.pdf 2. css_-_bilingual_info_webinar_-_march_17_2022.pdf
Amendment 4	March 29, 2022	Amendment No. 4 issued to: • Amendment to SECTION 3 - OFFER PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS • Amendment to SECTION 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION • Amendment to add Annex A - Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions – Tables	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._4_-_en.pdf
Amendment 5	April 1, 2022	Amendment No. 5 issued to: • Amendment to SECTION 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION INSERT AT SECTION 4.3	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._5_-_en.pdf

Solicitation Document	Date	Description	Documents Released
		• Extend the closing date of Invitation to Pre-screening Solutions (Closing 1).	
Amendment 6	April 5, 2022	Amendment No. 6 issued to: • Provide notice of an upcoming presentation by SSC to potential Offerors on April 7th, 2022; and • Provide responses to question(s) 1-2	**PDF Version** 1. css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._6_-_en.pdf
Amendment 7	April 6, 2022	Amendment No. 6 issued to: • Provide response to question 3	**PDF Version** css_-_cbsos_-_amendment_no._7_-_en.pdf