# Request for Proposal (RFP) under Competitive Method 1 against the Temporary Help Services (THS) for the National Capital Region (NCR) method of supply

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# **PART A: General information**

This requirement is issued by the following department: Department of National Defence (DND)

The RFP reference number for this solicitation is: S4814921

The terms and conditions set out in the <u>Supply Arrangement for Temporary Help Services in the</u> <u>National Capital Region</u>between the SA holder and Canada, as represented by the Minister of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC), are hereby incorporated into this document. The SA holder offers and agrees to sell and supply to the Minister, upon the terms and conditions set out herein, including the attachments hereto, the services listed herein and on any attached sheets at the price(s) set out therefore. Responses to a RFP by an SA holder will be considered as an offer to sell.

<u>2003, Standard Instructions - Goods or Services - Competitive Requirements (Latest version available</u> in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions (SACC) Manual at bid closing <u>- Buyandsell.gc.ca</u>) are incorporated into this document by reference with the following alteration: as per subsection "05 Submission of bids", bids to this solicitation will remain open for acceptance for a period of 15 days.

## 1. Invitation to bid

Department of National Defence (DND) has a requirement for work that falls under the THS for the NCR supply arrangement. This requirement is open to the following THS for the NCR supply arrangement holders:

- A Hundred Answers Inc.
- ACOSYS CONSULTING SERVICES INC./ SERVICES CONSEILS ACOSYS INC., THE HALIFAX COMPUTER CONSULTING GROUP INC., in Joint Venture
- Adirondack Information Management Inc., The AIM Group Inc. in Joint Venture
- Altis Recruitment & Technology Inc.
- Barbara Personnel Inc.
- Click Networks Inc
- Dalian Enterprises and Coradix Technology Consulting, in Joint Venture
- DLS Technology Corporation
- IBISKA Telecom Inc.
- IPSS INC.
- Mindwire Systems Ltd.
- RHEA INC.
- Tiree Facility Solutions Inc.
- TRM Technologies Inc.
- Veritaaq Technology House Inc.

The name and co-ordinates of the contracting authority can be found in Part D: Resulting contract clauses.

## 2. Bid response due date and time

Responses to this solicitation are to be sent by email to the following email address: <u>CFSGO-GTemporaryHelp-GSFCO-Gdaidetemporaire@forces.gc.ca</u>

# **Responses must be sent no later than the following date :** 07 March 2024 **Responses must be sent no later than the following time :** 1:00PM ET

Bidders must direct all enquiries to the email address above. A "Bidder's response form" is included in Part E of this document.



# **PART B: Requirement**

# 1. Statement of work

The work to be undertaken is indicated below and in the Statement of Work at Annex A in Part D.

# 2. Estimated contract period

The estimated contract period will be from <u>18 March 2024 to 17 February 2025</u> The contract length will be for <u>48 weeks.</u>

# 3. Resource required

The following table is to identify the requirement by providing the service category, their level of expertise, their need to be bilingual or not, number of references\* Interview required or not and the estimated number of hours for the required resource.

#### Resource required

	Category of resource	Level of expertise	Must the resource be bilingual(Y/N)	Number of References*	Interview Required (Y/N)
A	Computer pplication Support	Senior	Yes	1	No

Estimated Number of hours	Maximum number of resumes accepted under this requirement
1717.5	3

# \*Please provide references who can validate that the information submitted in response to the solicitation is accurate.

The following table is to identify to the supplier what is the language proficiency needed from the resource.

Language (English Essential, French Essential or Bilingual)	Oral	Comprehension	Written
Bilingual	Advanced	Advanced	Advanced

# 4. Work location

295 Coventry Road, Ottawa, Ontario, K1K 4M7

#### 5. Travel requirements

Is there a travel or overtime requirement?



Yes – Only Travel requirement

## 5.1 Estimated cost of travel and overtime expenses

Travel Expenses: \$75,000.00

# 6. Security requirement

- 6.1 Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:
  - (a) the bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Annex C;
  - (b) the bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites must meet the security requirements as indicated in Annex C;
  - (c) the bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work sites;
  - (d) the bidder's proposed location of work performance and document safeguarding must meet the security requirements as indicated in Annex C, if a document safeguarding requirement is indicated;
  - the bidder must provide the addresses of proposed sites or premises of work performance and document safeguarding, if a document safeguarding requirement is indicated;
- 6.2 Bidders are reminded to obtain the required security clearance promptly. Any delay in the award of a contract to allow the successful bidder to obtain the required clearance will be at the entire discretion of the contracting authority.
- 6.3 For additional information on security requirements, bidders should refer to the <u>Contract</u> <u>Security Program</u>.

# 7. Use of individual protective equipment and Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) guideline(s)

- 7.1 The following individual protective piece(s) of equipment is/are required while working on site:
  - face covering mask if required..

It is the bidder's responsibility to include the cost associated with the provision of personal protective equipment for its resources in their all-inclusive hourly rates for the duration of the contract.

# PART C: Basis of selection

# 1. Basis of selection method

#### **Right-fit**

To be declared responsive, a bid must:

- i. comply with all the requirements of the RFP;
- ii. include a total bid price below \$400,000.00 CDN (travel and living expenses, and applicable taxes included);
- iii. meet all minimum mandatory criteria for the THS category identified in Part B;
- iv. meet the additional mandatory criteria included below, if any are identified; and,
- v. include pricing that falls within a band between -20% and +20% of the median total hourly rate when 3 or more bids received by Canada are responsive to the mandatory technical criteria in ii and iii. When only 2 bids are responsive to the mandatory technical criteria, the higher priced bid may be selected if its price is within 25% of the lowest priced bid.

Bids not meeting (i) or (ii) or (iii) or (iv) or (v) will be declared non-responsive. <u>Minimum mandatory</u> <u>criteria</u> for THS categories can be found on the <u>THS for the NCR website</u>.

## Additional mandatory criteria

Number	Additional mandatory criteria (maximum of two (2) extra)	Cross reference to proposal [bidder to insert]
M1	Must clearly demonstrate a minimum of 5 years experience working with Canadian Armed Forces networks.	bidder to insert
M2	Must clearly demonstrate minimum of 2 years experience working with military computer applications such as Command and Control, Targeting, or Logistics software.	bidder to insert

#### Security Requirement\*\*:

Number	Security Requirement as per the SRCL Form in Annex C	Comments
1	The bidder must hold a valid <b>Secret</b> organization security clearance as indicated in Annex C.	Fill out the Security Clearance Form attached
2	The contractor or organization must be registered in the Controlled Goods Program of the CSP, PWGSC. <b>(Secret – FSC)</b>	Provide the Controlled Goods Program Certificate and GC# if applicable.

# \*\*While we do accept pending security clearance / pending registered controlled goods program certificate as per Section 6.1 in Part B, the Contracting Authority may deem a bid nonresponsive if failing to meet the security requirement in time for the proposed start date.

The bidder must clearly demonstrate how they meet each mandatory criteria. Bidders are advised that only listing experience without providing any supporting information or reusing the same wording as the RFP, will not be considered "demonstrated" for the purpose of this evaluation.

For each resume submitted, the bidder must ensure that:



- the proposed individual's name is clearly indicated
- the resume clearly states where, when and how the stated qualifications/experience of the individual were acquired, including contact information of a reference that can confirm the information provided
- the resume clearly demonstrates duties and relevance to the requirements

Furthermore, bidders are also advised that the month(s) of experience listed for a project whose timeframe overlaps that of another referenced project, will only be counted once.

If requested by the Contracting Authority, the Bidder must provide references for Canada to validate the information in the proposed resource résumé.

Canada retains the right to conduct interviews with the resource to confirm submitted information and assess availability.

In the event that the provided information is found to be invalid, Canada reserves the right to declare the bid non-compliant.

#### Right-fit justifications allowed to select the proper resource

Department of National Defence (DND) will select the successful bid on basis of right-fit from among the responsive bids. One or more justification(s) from amongst any of the justification(s) below will be used to determine the successful bidder in terms of meeting the right-fit basis of selection:

- Specialized education which will improve the quality of services to be provided
- Additional certifications which will improve the quality of services to be provided
- Additional experience which will improve the quality of services to be provided
- Knowledge of relevant government policies or procedures which will improve the quality of services to be provided
- Better proficiency in one or both official languages which will improve the quality of the services to be provided

Interviews may be administered to select the best resource from among the bids determined as responsive according to the rules above.

The responsive bid determined to correspond to one or more of the right fit justification(s) will be selected for award of a contract.

#### 1.1 Example of basis of selection – Right-fit

Category	Bid A	Bid B	Bid C	Bid D	Median price	Lowest price
Data entry clerk, Jr	\$ 25.00	\$ 21.87	\$ 18.00	\$ 26.00	\$ 23.44	\$ 18.00

The median price is calculated as follows:

Order the bids from lowest to highest: **\$18, \$21.87, \$25, and \$26** 

The median price = {(n + 1)  $\div$  2}, where "n" is the number of bids = {(4+1)  $\div$  2} = 2.5

\$21.87 is in the 2nd position and \$25 is in the  $3^{rd}$  position, so 2.5 is the price halfway between these = **\$23.44**.

Category	Lower median limit (- 20%)	Upper median limit (+20%)	Within median band	Lowest price +25%	Within 25% band
Data Entry Clerk, Jr	\$ 18.75	\$ 28.12	A,B,D	\$ 22.50	B and C

## Ineffective median band situation (All compliant bids fall outside of the median band):

When and only when three (3) or more compliant bids result in a median band that excludes all bidders, Canada may, but will have no obligation to, either cancel the request for proposal and resolicit or decide to select a bidder among all otherwise compliant bids using one or more of the five right fit justification(s).

In addition, Canada may, but will have no obligation to, require price support information. If Canada requests price support, the bidder must provide at a minimum an invoice (referencing a contract serial number or other unique contract identifier) that shows that the bidder has provided and invoiced a customer (with whom the bidder deals at arm's length) for services performed for that customer similar to the services that would be provided in the National Capital Region.

#### 2. In the case of an identical resource or identical resources proposed by more than one bidder

Following validation of the consent or proof of employment, if the successful bidder's proposed resource withdraws or becomes unable to provide the services before the contract award, the resource will no longer be considered from any other bidder who offered that same resource for the performance of the contract.

## 3. Replacement of a resource prior to contract award

If the successful bidder's proposed resource recommended for the contract award withdraws and/or becomes unable to provide its services for the performance of the contract, at any time between the closing date and time of the RFP and the award of the contract, the bidder must immediately inform the contracting authority of the reason for the replacement.

If the contracting authority opts to allow for a replacement instead of progressing to the next compliant bidder, the successful bidder is required to propose, at the same hourly rate specified in its bid, a replacement who must:

- 1- Meet all mandatory requirements outlined in the RFP;
- 2- Obtain, at minimum, the same score under the point-rated criteria, if applicable;
- 3- Holds, at minimum, the same qualifications and experiences of the originally proposed resource.

Upon request by the contracting authority and within the time allowed (minimum of one business day), the bidder must provide the necessary information to allow assessment of the replacement, including but not limited to, its name, qualifications and experience. Failure to respond to the request will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

#### 4. Bid challenge and recourse mechanisms

Several mechanisms are available to potential suppliers to challenge aspects of the procurement process up to and including contract award.

Canada encourages suppliers to first bring their concerns to the attention of the contracting authority. Canada's <u>Buy and Sell</u> website, under the heading "<u>Bid Challenge and Recourse Mechanisms</u>" contains information on potential complaint bodies such as:



- Office of the Procurement Ombudsman (OPO)
- Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT)

Bidders should note that there are **strict deadlines** for filing complaints, and the time periods vary depending on the complaint body in question. Bidders should therefore act quickly when they want to challenge any aspect of the procurement process.

# **PART D: Resulting contract clauses**

The following clauses and conditions apply to and form part of any contract resulting from the bid solicitation.

## 1.0 Statement of work

The contractor must perform the work in accordance with the Statement of work at Annex A.

#### 2.0 Standard clauses and conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the contract by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard</u> <u>Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual</u> issued by Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC).

## 2.1 General conditions

2010B (Latest version available in the SACC Manual Clause at bid closing <u>- Buyandsell.gc.ca</u>), General conditions: Professional services (medium complexity) apply to and form part of the contract.

## 3.0 THS resulting contract clauses

The resulting contract clauses enumerated in the contractor's THS for the NCR <u>Supply Arrangement</u> apply to and form part of the contract.

#### 4.0 Security requirement

# SECURITY REQUIREMENT FOR CANADIAN SUPPLIER: PWGSC FILE No. S4814921

- 1. The Contractor must, at all times during the performance of the Contract, hold a valid Facility Security Clearance at the level of NATO SECRET, issued by the Contract Security Program (CSP), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- 2. This contract includes access to **Controlled Goods.** Prior to access, the contractor must be registered in the Controlled Goods Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).
- The Contractor personnel requiring access to CLASSIFIED/PROTECTED information, assets or sensitive site(s) must EACH hold a valid personnel security screening at the level of NATO SECRET, SECRET, or RELIABILITY STATUS, as required, granted or approved by the CSP, PWGSC.
- 4. The Contractor personnel requiring access to FOREIGN CLASSIFIED information, assets or sensitive site(s) must EACH hold a valid personnel security screening at the level of NATO SECRET or SECRET, as required, granted or approved by the CSP, PWGSC.
- 5. The Contractor personnel requiring access to NATO CLASSIFIED information, assets or sensitive site(s) must be permanent residents of Canada or citizens of a NATO member country and EACH hold a valid personnel security screening at the level of NATO SECRET, granted or approved by the appropriate delegated NATO Security Authority.
- The Contractor MUST NOT remove any CLASSIFIED/PROTECTED information or assets from the identified site(s), and the Contractor must ensure that its personnel are made aware of and comply with this restriction.
- 7. Subcontracts which contain security requirements are NOT to be awarded without the prior written permission of the CSP, PWGSC.

8. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the:

(a) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex \_\_\_\_\_;

(b) Contract Security Manual (Latest Edition).

NOTE: There are multiple levels of personnel security screenings associated with this file. In this instance, a Security Classification Guide must be added to the SRCL clarifying these screenings. The Security Classification Guide is normally generated by the organization's project authority and/or security authority.

NOTE: There are multiple levels of release restrictions associated with this file. In this instance, a

Security Guide should be added to the SRCL clarifying these restrictions. The Security Guide is normally

generated by the organization's project authority and/or security authority.

# 4.1 Use of individual protective equipment and occupational health and safety guideline(s)

The contractor warrants that its resources will follow at all times the Occupational Health and Safety (OHS) guidelines in force in the workplace during the contract period. Canada reserves the right to modify the OHS guideline, if required, to include any future recommendations proposed by the Public Health Agencies.

# 5.0 Term of contract

## 5.1 Period of contract

[To be inserted at contract award]

# 5.2 Maximum duration of contracts

A contract awarded under the THS for the NCR supply arrangement must not exceeds 48 consecutive weeks including all absences.

On an exceptional basis only, a contract may be amended to extend the duration of an assignment period up to a maximum of 24 consecutive weeks beyond the limit of 48 consecutive weeks. The total extended duration must not exceed 72 consecutive weeks. Extensions past 48 weeks must only be issued on the condition that the following requirements are met:

- i. the duration of the assignment period, including any contract amendments that impact the assignment period, must be more than 40 consecutive weeks;
- ii. the amendment to extend the duration of the assignment period must be issued after the first 40 consecutive weeks of the assignment period; and
- iii. the contracting authority must notify THS for the NCR of the issued amendment by email within 2 business days of issuing the amendment.

The contractor agrees that, during the extended periods of the contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in Annex B: Basis of payment.

# 6.0 Authorities

# 6.1 Contracting authority

The contracting authority for the contract is:

[To be inserted at contract award]



The contracting authority is responsible for the management of the contract and any changes to the contract must be authorized in writing by the contracting authority. The contractor must not perform work in excess of or outside the scope of the contract based on verbal or written requests or instructions from anybody other than the contracting authority.

## 6.2 Technical authority

The technical authority for the contract is:

#### [To be inserted at contract award]

The technical authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the work is being carried out under the contract and is responsible for all matters concerning the technical content of the work under the contract. Technical matters may be discussed with the technical authority; however, the technical authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the work. Changes to the scope of the work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the contracting authority.

## 6.3 Contractor's representative

[To be inserted at contract award]

#### 7.0 **Proactive disclosure of contracts with former public servants**

By providing information on its status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a <u>Public</u> <u>Service Superannuation Act</u> (PSSA) pension, the contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports, in accordance with <u>Contracting Policy Notice: 2019-01</u> of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada.

#### 8.0 Payment

#### 8.1 Basis of payment

The contractor will be paid for the actual hours worked at the firm hourly rates in Annex B: Basis of payment. The contractor will be paid an initial half hour minimum charge calculated from the time the contractor's employee arrives on-site. Customs duties are included and applicable taxes are extra.

#### 8.1.1 Travel and living expenses

The Contractor will be reimbursed for the authorized travel and living expenses reasonably and properly incurred in the performance of the Work, at cost, in accordance with Contract Cost Principles 1031-2, with no allowance for profit and/or administrative overhead. All payments are subject to government audit.

Canada will not accept any travel and living expenses incurred by the contractor in the performance of the work, for:

- services provided within the National Capital Region (NCR). The National Capital Region (NCR) is defined in the National Capital Act (Revised Statutes of Canada), 1985, c.N-4, S.2. The National Capital Act is available on the Justice website: <u>https://laws.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/N-4/</u>
- (ii) any travel between the contractor's place of business and the NCR.

#### 8.2 Method of payment

Canada will pay the contractor on a monthly basis for work performed during the month covered by the invoice in accordance with the payment provisions of the contract if:

- an accurate and complete invoice and any other documents required by the contract have been submitted in accordance with the invoicing instructions provided at 8.2.1 below;
- all such documents have been verified by Canada;
- the work performed has been accepted by Canada.

#### 8.3 Auditing

Canada reserves the right to recover amounts and make adjustments to amounts payable to the Contractor where an examination of the Contractor's records has identified amounts allocated to the Contract that are not in accordance with the Contract terms.

Where the results of an examination indicate that an overpayment by Canada has occurred, such overpayment is due and payable on the date indicated in the notice of overpayment.

## 9.0 Certifications compliance

Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, and the ongoing cooperation in providing additional information are conditions of the contract and failure to comply will constitute the contractor in default. Certifications are subject to verification by Canada during the entire period of the contract.

## 9.1 Compliance with on-site measures, standing orders, policies, and rules

The contractor must comply and ensure that its employees and subcontractors comply with all security measures, standing orders, policies or other rules in force at the site where the work is performed.

# 10.0 Applicable laws

The contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario. [*May be revised by contractor before contract award*]

# 11.0 **Priority of documents**

If there is a discrepancy between the wording of any documents that appear on the list, the wording of the document that first appears on the list has priority over the wording of any document that subsequently appears on the list.

- 1. The Articles of Agreement
- 2. the THS for the NCR supply arrangement (SA) resulting contract clauses
- 3. 2010B (Latest version available in the SACC Manual Clause at bid closing <u>- Buyandsell.gc.ca</u>), General conditions: Professional services (medium complexity)
- 4. Annex A: Statement of work
- 5. Annex B: Basis of payment
- 6. the Security Requirements Check List at Annex C (if applicable)
- 7. the contractor's bid dated \_\_\_\_\_ [To be inserted at contract award]

#### 12.0 Discretionary audit - non-commercial goods and services

The estimated amount of profit included in the contractor's price or rate certification is subject to audit by Canada, before or after payment is made to the contractor under the conditions of the contract. The purpose of the audit would be to determine whether the actual profit earned on a single contract if only one exists, or the aggregate of actual profit earned by the contractor on a series of negotiated firm price and fixed-time rate contracts performed during a particular period selected, is reasonable and justifiable based on the estimated amount of profit included in earlier price or rate certification(s).

If the audit demonstrates that the actual profit is not reasonable and justifiable, as defined above, the contractor must repay Canada the amount found to be in excess.

# **13.0** Foreign nationals (Canadian contractor)

The contractor must comply with Canadian immigration requirements applicable to foreign nationals entering Canada to work temporarily in fulfillment of the contract. If the contractor wishes to hire a foreign national to work in Canada to fulfill the contract, the contractor should immediately contact the nearest Service Canada regional office to enquire about Citizenship and Immigration Canada's requirements to issue a temporary work permit to a foreign national. The contractor is responsible for all costs incurred as a result of non-compliance with immigration requirements.

# 14.0 Dispute resolution

- (a) The parties agree to maintain open and honest communication about the work throughout and after the performance of the contract.
- (b) The parties agree to consult and co-operate with each other in the furtherance of the contract and promptly notify the other party or parties and attempt to resolve problems or differences that may arise.
- (c) If the parties cannot resolve a dispute through consultation and cooperation, the parties agree to consult a neutral third party offering alternative dispute resolution services to attempt to address the dispute.
- (d) Options of alternative dispute resolution services can be found on Canada's Buy and Sell website under the heading "<u>Dispute Resolution</u>".

#### 15.0 Insurance

The contractor is responsible for deciding if insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any insurance acquired or maintained by the contractor is at its own expense and for its own benefit and protection. It does not release the contractor from or reduce its liability under the contract.

#### 16.0 Defence Production Act

SACC Manual clause A9006C (Latest version available in the SACC Manual Clause at bid closing <u>-</u> <u>Buyandsell.gc.ca</u>), Defence Contract

# **ANNEX A - Statement of Work**

# 1. Scope

# 1.1. Objective

The Canadian Joint Operations Command (CJOC) J6 has a requirement for one Senior Computer & Application Support specialist as a contractor for 48 weeks to manage Community of Interest (CoI) system applications and service requirements for the Canadian Amed Forces (CAF) Operational Mission Network (COMN)

# 1.2. Background

The Chief of the Defence Staff (CDS) has directed the development, maintenance and employment of a federated mission networking capability providing Command and Control Information Systems (C2IS) within a coalition environment. COMN is the computer network that delivers the capability. As the designated Operational Authority (OA) for the network, CJOC is charged with developing the operational requirements. Additionally, CJOC is tasked to coordinate the development of doctrine, training and procedures for the use of the CDMN capability; documenting and institutionalizing the concept of operation, employment, support and training required for COMN; coordinating with the DND/CAF training institutions to develop and implement the necessary training products to meet the COMN capability requirements; and being prepared to represent the requirements for COMN at DND/CAF, National and International governance bodies, conferences, meetings and working groups.

The J6 Capability Integration (CI) Section has been designated to complete the CDS tasks assigned to CJOC. To assist with this activity, CJOC requires someone with a knowledge of C2 systems, and a sound familiarity with Federated Mission Networking concepts.

# 1.3. Scope of work

The scope of work will entail gathering of detailed system application requirements from across CAF Level 1 (L1) organizations and coordination with relevant DND L1s and the Technical Authority to capture and report back on implementation plans and timelines. This is a priority task which directly supports system updates to fielded systems supporting current CAF operations.

The task will require extensive liaison with multiple CAF/DND organizations and drafting, or assistance in drafting, documentation to support project delivery. This will require someone with a technical knowledge FMN services, C2 software applications, and management experience, preferably with DND.

# 1.4. Travel and Overtime costs

Travel costs \$75,000

# 1.5. Tasks

The following tasks will be performed:

- 1.5.1. Engage with the Technical Authority (TA) for COMN on the implementation plan for Federated Mission Networking (FMN) Spiral 4 services. Gather and report back on the forecasted timelines, challenges and opportunities.
- 1.5.2. Work with relevant DND/CAF L1 organizations (Canadian Army, Royal Canadian Navy, Royal Canadian Air Force, Canadian Armed Forces Special Operations Command, Canadian Armed Forces Intelligence Command etc.) to assess FMN Spiral 5 requirements for CoI services. Capture and report back on the services they require.
- 1.5.3. Work with relevant DND/CAF L1 organizations to assess FMN Spiral 6 requirements for CoI services. Capture and report back on the services they anticipate they will require.
- 1.5.4. Work with DND/CAF and international partners, specifically the FMN Command and Control (C2) Inter-Working Group (IWG) to ensure COMN C2 services across the CAF Environments remain aligned with international FMN standards as they progress.
- 1.5.5. Assist with development and implementation of a requirements management process.
- 1.5.6. Attend meetings pertaining to the development and implementation of COMN;
- 1.5.7. Participate in strategy discussions on the institutionalization of COMN and offer input, feedback and advice on management best practices.
- 1.5.8. Assist with the drafting and refinement of foundational documentation as necessary, including system Concept of Employment (CONEMP) for COMN.

# **1.6.** Constraints

The incumbent must meet the following criteria:

- 1.6.1. Possess a NATO SECRET security clearance.
- 1.6.2. Be prepared to work a minimum of three days/week, including on-site work at
  - DND facilities as required.
- 1.6.3. Be willing to travel.

It would be preferable if the incumbent has:

- 1.6.4. A basic knowledge of Federated Mission Networking.
- 1.6.5. Experience working with C2 software, preferably SitaWare or Global Command & Control System- Joint (GCCS-J).
- 1.6.6. Be fully vaccinated (2 doses, booster preferred) and willing to wear a nonsurgical mask in the workplace as required; and



# **ANNEX B – Basis of payment**

The rates of the successful bidder will be incorporated at the time of contract award.

# ANNEX C – Security requirements check list

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7. c) Level of information / Nive	au disformation							_
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	Special comments: Commentaires spéciaux :					
	NOTE: If multiple levels of screening	are identified, a Security Classific	ation Guide must be provi	ded.		
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premise	hisseur sera-t-il tenu de recevoir et d'e				No Non	Yes Oui
11. b) Will the	supplier be required to safeguard CO hisseur sera-t-il tenu de protéger des r		MSEC?		V No Non	Yes Oui
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	production (manufacture, and/or repair a the supplier's site or premises?	and/or modification) of PROTECTE	ED and/or CLASSIFIED m	aterial or equipment	No Non	Yes
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11. e) Will there be an electronic link between the supplier's IT systems and the government department or agency?						Yes Oui
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#### PART C - (continued) / PARTIE C - (suite)

For users completing the form manually use the summary chart below to indicate the category(ies) and level(s) of safeguarding required at the supplier's site(s) or premises.

Les utilisateurs qui remplissent le formulaire manuellement doivent utiliser le tableau récapitulatif ci-dessous pour indiquer, pour chaque catégorie, les niveaux de sauvegarde requis aux installations du fournisseur.

For users completing the form **online** (via the Internet), the summary chart is automatically populated by your responses to previous questions. Dans le cas des utilisateurs qui remplissent le formulaire **en ligne** (par Internet), les réponses aux questions précédentes sont automatiquement saisies dans le tableau récapitulatif.

#### SUMMARY CHART / TABLEAU RÉCAPITULATIF

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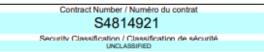
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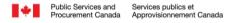


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Name (print) - Nom (en lettres moulées) Michael Collins	Title - Titre	ant Commander		COLLINS, MICHAEL	COLLINS, MICHAEL 034		
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Telephone No N° de téléphone Facsimile No N° de téléphon	de télécopieur	E-mail address - Adresse cour Michael.Collins3@forces					
14. Organization Security Authority / Responsable de la s	écurité de l'orga	nisme			Digitally signed by MEDJOVIC, SASHA		
Name (print) - Nom (en lettres moulées)	Title - Titre		Signature	MEDJO	IC, PRESSIER OUNTERN CN-		
Sasha Medjovic	Senior	Security Analyst		SASHA	MELLEVIC SASHA 231		
Telephone No N° de téléphone Facsimile No N° de téléphone	de télécopieur	E-mail address - Adresse cour Sasha.Medjovic@forces.		Date			
15. Are there additional instructions (e.g. Security Guide, Security Classification Guide) attached? Des instructions supplémentaires (p. ex. Guide de sécurité, Guide de classification de la sécurité) sont-elles jointes? Non Ves Non							
16. Procurement Officer / Agent d'approvisionnement					Digitally signed by		
Name (print) - Nom (en lettres moulées)	Title - Titre		Signature	CARROLL,	CARROLL, KENNETH 715		
Kenneth Carroll	Majo	r		KENNETH			
Telephone No N° de téléphone Facsimile No N° 613-971-0338	de télécopieur	E-mail address - Adresse coo Kenneth.Carroll@forces		Date			
17. Contracting Security Authority / Autorité contractante en matière de sécurité							
Name (print) - Nom (en lettres moulées)	Title - Titre		Que	ade,	Digitally signed by Quade, Clarence		
C. Jason Quade Contract Security Officer	de télécopieur		Clar	ence	Quade, Clarence Date: 2024.02.07 13:18:22 -05'00'		
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# PART E: Bidder response form

In addition to providing a completed version of this form, it is the Bidder's responsibility to include all relevant information required to meet all RFP requirements and evaluation criteria.

# **Bidder information**

Legal name of bidder: \_\_\_\_\_ Procurement Business Number (PBN) of bidder: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Bidder's representative:**

Name and title of person authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder:

Name of authorized bidder representative:
Telephone number of authorized bidder representative:
Email address of authorized bidder representative:

## The bidder:

Is submitting a bid in response to this RFP: YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

# Proposed resource pricing

Name of resource	expertise	Required personnel security screening	Bilingual (Y/N)	Firm hourly rate*		Total estimated cost (GST/HST excluded)	
R1	R1 5.2 – Computer Application Support – Senior		Yes	\$	1717.5	\$	
					Sub-total:	\$	
Applicable taxes: \$							
				To	tal bid price:	\$	

\*The hourly rate for the proposed resource must remain the same in the event that the bidder submits more than 1 resume.

#### Certifications precedent to contract award

The certifications set out below are to be completed and submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications is not completed and submitted as requested, the contracting authority will so inform the bidder and provide the bidder with a time frame within which to meet the requirement.

Compliance with the certifications bidders provide to Canada is subject to verification by Canada during the bid evaluation period (before award of a contract) and after contract award. The contracting authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify bidders' compliance with the certifications before award of a contract. The bid will be declared non-responsive if any certification made by the bidder is untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly. Failure to comply with the certifications or to comply with the request of the contracting authority for additional information will also render the bid non-responsive.

# a) Integrity Provisions – required documentation

By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder and its Affiliates are in compliance with the provisions as stated in <u>Section 01 Integrity Provisions – Bid of Standard Instructions – Foods or</u> <u>Services – Competitive Requirements</u>. The associated information required within the Integrity Provisions will assist Canada in confirming that the certifications are true.

Pursuant to section 01 of Standard Instructions 2003, bidders who are incorporated or a sole proprietorship, including those bidding as a joint venture, must submit a complete list of names of all individuals who are currently directors of the bidder, or the name of the owner, as applicable. Bidders bidding as societies, firms or partnerships do not need to provide a list of names. Furthermore, as determined by the Special Investigations Directorate, Departmental Oversight Branch, each individual named on the list may be requested to complete Consent to a Criminal Record Verification form and provide associated information. Consult sections <u>4.21. Integrity Provisions</u>, <u>5.16. Integrity Compliant</u>, and <u>8.70.2. Compliance with the Integrity Provisions</u> of the Supply Manual.

# b) Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - bid certification

By submitting a bid, the bidder certifies that the bidder, and any of the bidder's members if the bidder is a joint venture, is not named on the Federal Contractors Program (FCP) for employment equity "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list available at the bottom of the page of the <u>Employment and Social</u> <u>Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour's</u> website.

Canada will have the right to declare a bid non-responsive if the bidder, or any member of the bidder if the bidder is a joint venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list at the time of contract award.

# c) Price certification

The bidder must provide, on Canada's request, one or more of the following price support, if applicable:

- a) a current published price list indicating the percentage discount available to Canada; or
- b) copies of paid invoices for the like quality and quantity of the goods, services or both sold to other customers; or
- c) a price breakdown showing the cost of direct labour, direct materials, purchased items, engineering and plant overheads, general and administrative overhead, transportation, etc., and profit; or
- d) price or rate certifications
- e) any other supporting documentation as requested by Canada.

# d) Consent and replacement of resource

The bidder must provide a written/electronic consent signed by the proposed resource before the closing date and time of the RFP. In cases where the proposed resource is a full time employee of the bidder, a proof of employment signed by an authorized representative of the bidder, such as Chief Financial Officer or Human Resource Director must be provided.

To be considered valid, the written/electronic consent or proof of employment must have been obtained/signed during the solicitation period and reference the solicitation number. It must also include a statement confirming the availability of the resource for the performance of the contract during the period mentioned in the RFP. Failure to provide the proper documentation will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

By providing either a written/electronic consent or proof of employment, the bidder certifies that the information included on the consent or proof of employment for the proposed resource, for this requirement, is true and accurate.

# e) Former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension

As per the definition provided under Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (SACC) Manual clause <u>A3025T -Former Public Servant - Competitive Bid</u> (2020-05-04) is the bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension?

Yes ( ) No ( )

If so, the bidder must provide the following information, for all FPSs in receipt of a pension, as applicable:

- a. the name of former public servant
- b. the date of termination of employment or retirement from the Public Service

By providing this information, bidders agree that the successful bidder's status, with respect to being a former public servant in receipt of a pension, will be reported on departmental websites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with <u>Contracting Policy Notice: 2019-01 of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada</u> and the <u>Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts</u>.

# f) Work force adjustment directive

Is the bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the <u>Work Force</u> <u>Adjustment Directive</u>?

Yes ( ) No ( )

If so, the bidder must provide the following information:

- a. the name of former public servant
- b. the conditions of the lump sum payment incentive
- c. the date of termination of employment
- d. the amount of lump sum payment
- e. the rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based
- f. the period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks
- g. the number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of

a work force adjustment program

# By submitting a bid, the bidder confirms they understand and acknowledge the above terms and conditions.

Person authorized to sign on behalf of the bidder or the firm (print name):

Name:	Title:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_