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# TASK-BASED INFORMATICS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (TBIPS) SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT (SA)

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)** 

**FOR** 

**Professional Services for DND/CAF IT Security Program Delivery** 

For

# Directorate of Information Management Security THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

SOLICITATION NO. DND W6369-23-P5OY

All enquiries must be submitted only to the Contracting Authority:

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RFP Closing Time and Date:
08 September 2023
02:00 PM Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

All bids must be received by the RFP Closing Time and Date.

Bids must be submitted by e-mail to: <a href="mailto:lssam.Bakhti@forces.gc.ca">lssam.Bakhti@forces.gc.ca</a>

DND will confirm receipt of proposal.

This RFP is issued against the Task-Based Informatics Professional Services (TBIPS) Supply Arrangement (SA), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC) File Number **EN578-170432**. All terms and conditions of the TBIPS SA apply and must be incorporated into any resulting contract.



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# FOR A CONTRACT AGAINST A SUPPLY ARRANGEMENT FOR TASK-BASED INFORMATICS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (TBIPS) VARIOUS CATEGORIES - LEVEL 3 FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

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# **List of Annexes to the Resulting Contract:**

Annex A Statement of Work

- Appendix A to Annex A Tasking Assessment Procedure
- Appendix B to Annex A Task Authorization Form
- Appendix C to Annex A Resources Assessment Criteria and Response Table
- Appendix D to Annex A Certification at the TA Stage

Annex B Basis of Payment

Annex C Security Requirements Check List

Annex D to PART 5 of the BID SOLICITATION

#### Forms:

- -Form 1 Bid Submission Form
- -Form 2 Bid Evaluation Criteria
- -Form 3 Pricing Schedule
- -Form 4 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity Certification
- -Form 5 Electronic Payment Instruments
- -Form 6 Customer Reference Contact Information Form.

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#### PART 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION

#### 1.1 Introduction

This document states terms and conditions that apply to this bid solicitation. It is divided into seven parts plus attachments and annexes, as follows:

- Part 1 General Information: provides a general description of the requirement;
- Part 2 Bidder Instructions: provides the instructions, clauses, and conditions applicable to the bid solicitation;
- Part 3 Bid Preparation Instructions: provides Bidders with instructions on how to prepare their bid;
- Part 4 Evaluation Procedures and Basis of Selection: indicates how the evaluation will be conducted, the evaluation criteria that must be addressed in the bid, if applicable, and the basis of selection;
- Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information: includes the certifications and additional information to be provided;
- Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements: includes specific requirements that must be addressed by Bidders; and
- Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses: includes the clauses and conditions that will apply to any resulting contract.

The annexes include the Statement of Work and any other annexes.

#### 1.2 Summary

- (a) This bid solicitation is being issued to satisfy the requirement of the Department of National Defence (the "Client") for Task-Based Informatics Professional Services (TBIPS) under the TBIPS Supply Arrangement (SA) method of supply.
- (b) It is intended to result in the award of a 2-year contract plus 1 one-year irrevocable option allowing Canada to extend the term of the contract.
- (c) There are security requirements associated with this requirement. For additional information, consult Part 6 Security, Financial and Other Requirements, and Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses. For more information on personnel and organization security screening or security clauses, Bidders should refer to the Contract Security Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html) website.
- (d) The requirement is subject to the provisions of the World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP), the Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement (CCFTA), the

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Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA), the Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement (CCoIFTA), the Canada-Panama Free Trade Agreement (CPanFTA), the Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA), Canada Korea Free Trade Agreement (CKFTA) and the Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA).

- (e) The Federal Contractor's Program (FCP) for employment equity applies to this procurement; see Part 5 Certifications and Additional Information, Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses and the attachment titled "Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity Certification."
- (f) This bid solicitation is to establish a contract with task authorizations for the delivery of the requirement detailed in the bid solicitation across Canada, excluding locations within Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Quebec, and Labrador that are subject to Comprehensive Land Claims Agreements (CLCAs). Any requirement for deliveries within CLCAs areas within Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, Quebec, or Labrador will be treated as a separate procurement, outside the resulting contract.
- (g) This bid solicitation allows bidders to use the epost Connect service provided by Canada Post Corporation to transmit their bid electronically. Bidders must refer to Part 2 entitled "Bidder Instructions, and Part 3 entitled "Bid Preparation Instructions", of the bid solicitation, for further information.
- (h) As of October 11, 2019, it is mandatory to consider including accessibility criteria in procurement requirements for goods or services, in accordance with subsections 4.2.26 and 4.2.27 of the Treasury Board Contracting Policy. If after meaningful consideration, it is determined by the Technical Authority that it is not appropriate to include accessibility criteria as part of the requirement, the Technical Authority must provide a clear justification to the procurement officer/buyer as to why accessibility was not included in their procurement. The procurement officer/buyer must then ensure that the justification is kept on file for that procurement.

Include the following sentence if Accessibility criteria apply to the requirement. If there are no Accessibility criteria, a justification must be put on file as to the reason why accessibility does not apply.

Considering accessibility criteria and features is obligatory with this requirement. For additional information consult the Treasury Board Contracting Policy.

- (i) The TBIPS Supply Arrangement EN578-170432 is incorporated by reference and forms part of this bid solicitation, as though expressly set out in it, subject to any express terms and conditions contained in this bid solicitation. The capitalized terms not defined in this bid solicitation have the meaning given to them in the TBIPS SA.
  - All TBIPS SA Holders currently holding a TBIPS SA for Tier 2 in the National Capital Region (NCR) Region under the EN578-170432 series of SA's are invited to bid on this requirement.
- (j) SA Holders that are invited to compete as a joint venture must submit a bid as that joint venture SA Holder, forming no other joint venture to bid. Any joint venture must be already qualified under the SA #EN578-170432 as that joint venture at the time of bid closing in order to submit a bid.
- (k) The Resource Categories described below are required on an as and when requested basis in accordance with the TBIPS SA Annex "A": (<a href="https://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/sptb-tbps/categories-eng.html">https://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/app-acq/sptb-tbps/categories-eng.html</a>)

RESOURCE CATEGORY		ESTIMATED NUMBER OF RESOURCES REQUIRED
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	LEVEL 3	2

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C.3 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst	LEVEL 3	2
C.6 Information Technology Security Engineer	LEVEL 3	4
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	LEVEL 3	2

# 1.3 Debriefings

Bidders may request a debriefing on the results of the bid solicitation process. Bidders should make the request to the Contracting Authority within 15 working days from receipt of the results of the bid solicitation process. The debriefing may be provided in writing, by telephone or in person.

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#### **PART 2 - BIDDER INSTRUCTIONS**

#### 2.1 Standard Instructions, Clauses, and Conditions

- (a) All instructions, clauses and conditions identified in the bid solicitation by number, date and title are set out in the <u>Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual</u> (<a href="https://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.504677/publication.html">https://publications.gc.ca/site/eng/9.504677/publication.html</a>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.
- (b) Bidders who submit a bid agree to be bound by the instructions, clauses and conditions of the bid solicitation and accept the clauses and conditions of the resulting contract(s).
- (c) The <u>2003</u> (2023-06-08) Standard Instructions Goods or Services Competitive Requirements are incorporated by reference into and form part of the bid solicitation.

#### a. Technical Difficulties of Bid Transmission

Despite anything to the contrary in (05), (06) or (08) of the Standard Instructions, where a Bidder has commenced transmission of its bid through an electronic submission method (such as facsimile or Canada Post Corporation's (CPC) Connect service, or other online service) in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time, but due to technical difficulties, Canada was unable to receive or decode the entirety of the Bid by the deadline, Canada may nonetheless accept the entirety of the Bid received after the bid solicitation closing date and time, provided that the Bidder can demonstrate the following:

- (i) The bidder contacted Canada in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time to attempt to resolve its technical difficulties; OR
- (ii) The electronic properties of the Bid documentation clearly indicate that all components of the Bid were prepared in advance of the bid solicitation closing date and time.

#### b. Completeness of the Bid

After the closing date and time of this bid solicitation, Canada will examine the Bid to determine completeness. The review for completeness will be limited to identifying whether any information submitted as part of the bid can be accessed, opened, and/or decoded. This review does not constitute an evaluation of the content, will not assess whether the Bid meets any standard or is responsive to all solicitation requirements, but will be solely limited to assessing completeness. Canada will provide the Bidder with the opportunity to submit information found to be missing or incomplete in this review within two business days of notice.

Specifically, the bid will be reviewed and deemed to be complete when the following elements have been submitted by the bidder:

- 1. That certifications and securities required at bid closing are included.
- 2. That bids are properly signed, that the bidder is properly identified.
- 3. Acceptance of the terms and conditions of the bid solicitation and resulting contract.

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- 4. That all documents created prior to bid closing but due to technical difficulties Canada was unable to receive them, have been properly submitted and received by Canada.
- 5. All certifications, declarations and proofs created prior to bid closing but due to technical difficulties Canada was
- (d) Subsection 3.a. of Section 01, Integrity provisions bid of Standard Instructions 2003 incorporated by reference above is deleted in its entirety and replaced with the following:
  - a. at the time of submitting an arrangement under the Request for Supply Arrangement (RFSA), the Bidder has already provided a list of names, as requested under the *Ineligibility and Suspension Policy*. During this procurement process, the Bidder must immediately inform Canada in writing of any changes affecting the list of names.
- (e) Subsection 4 of Section 05, Submission of bids of Standard Instructions 2003 incorporated by reference above, is amended as follows:

Delete: 60 days Insert: 180 days

#### 2.2 Submission of Bids

- (a) Unless specified otherwise in the RFP or otherwise directed by the Contracting Authority, bids must be submitted only to the Department of National Defence organization by e-mail by the date and time indicated on page 1 of the bid solicitation.
- (b) E-Mail Submissions: Individual e-mails that may include certain scripts, formats, embedded macros and/or links, or those that exceed five (5) megabytes may be rejected by Canada's e-mail system and/or firewall(s) without notice to the Bidder or Contracting Authority. Larger bids may be submitted through more than one e-mail. Canada will confirm receipt of documents. It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that its entire submission has been received. Bidders should not assume that all documents have been received unless Canada confirms receipt of each document. In order to minimize the potential for technical issues to affect bid receipt, bidders are requested to include in the body of their e-mail(s) a list of all documents attached to the e-mail(s) and allow sufficient time before the closing date and time to confirm receipt. Canada will not accept any bids submitted after the closing date and time.

Due to the nature of the bid solicitation, bids transmitted by facsimile will not be accepted.

### 2.3 Enquiries - Bid Solicitation

- (a) All enquiries must be submitted in writing to the Contracting Authority no later than 5 calendar days before the bid closing date. Enquiries received after that time may not be answered.
- (b) Bidders should reference as accurately as possible the numbered item of the bid solicitation to which the enquiry relates. Care should be taken by Bidders to explain each question in sufficient detail in order to enable Canada to provide an accurate answer. Technical enquiries that are of a proprietary nature must be clearly marked "proprietary" at each relevant item. Items identified as "proprietary" will be treated as such except where Canada determines that the enquiry is not of a proprietary nature. Canada may edit the question(s) or may request that the Bidder do so, so that the proprietary nature of the question(s) is eliminated, and the enquiry can be answered with copies to all Bidders. Enquiries not submitted in a form that can be distributed to all Bidders may not be answered by Canada.

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#### 2.4 Former Public Servant

#### (a) Information Required

Contracts awarded to former public servants (FPS) in receipt of a pension or of a lump sum payment must bear the closest public scrutiny and reflect fairness in the spending of public funds. In order to comply with Treasury Board policies and directives on contracts awarded to FPSs, Bidders must provide the information required below before contract award. If the answer to the questions and, as applicable the information required have not been received by the time the evaluation of bids is completed, Canada will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to comply with Canada's request and meet the requirement within the prescribed time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

# (b) Definitions

For the purposes of this clause, "former public servant" is any former member of a department as defined in the <u>Financial Administration Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. F-11, a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces or a former member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A former public servant may be:

- (i) an individual;
- (ii) an individual who has incorporated;
- (iii) a partnership made of former public servants; or
- (iv) a sole proprietorship or entity where the affected individual has a controlling or major interest in the entity.

"lump sum payment period" means the period measured in weeks of salary, for which payment has been made to facilitate the transition to retirement or to other employment as a result of the implementation of various programs to reduce the size of the Public Service. The lump sum payment period does not include the period of severance pay, which is measured in a like manner.

"pension" means a pension or annual allowance paid under the <u>Public Service Superannuation Act</u> (PSSA), R.S., 1985, c. P-36, and any increases paid pursuant to the <u>Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. S-24 as it affects the PSSA. It does not include pensions payable pursuant to the <u>Canadian Forces Superannuation Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. C-17, the <u>Defence Services Pension Continuation Act</u>, 1970, c. D-3, the <u>Royal Canadian Mounted Police Pension Continuation Act</u>, 1970, c. R-10, and the <u>Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. R-11, the <u>Members of Parliament Retiring Allowances Act</u>, R.S. 1985, c. M-5, and that portion of pension payable to the <u>Canada Pension Plan Act</u>, R.S., 1985, c. C-8.

#### (c) Former Public Servant in Receipt of a Pension

As per the above definitions, 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:

- (i) name of former public servant;
- (ii) 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

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part of the published proactive disclosure reports in accordance with <u>Contracting Policy Notice:</u> <u>2012-2</u> and the <u>Guidelines on the Proactive Disclosure of Contracts.</u>

# (d) Work Force Adjustment Directive

Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment pursuant to the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive? **Yes** ( ) **No** ( )

If so, the Bidder must provide the following information:

- (i) name of former public servant;
- (ii) conditions of the lump sum payment incentive;
- (iii) date of termination of employment;
- (iv) amount of lump sum payment;
- (v) rate of pay on which lump sum payment is based;
- (vi) period of lump sum payment including start date, end date and number of weeks;
- (vii) number and amount (professional fees) of other contracts subject to the restrictions of a work force adjustment program.

For all contracts awarded during the lump sum payment period, the total amount of fees that may be paid to a FPS who received a lump sum payment is \$5,000, including Applicable Taxes.

#### 2.5 Applicable Laws

Any resulting contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario, Canada.

**Note to Bidders:** Bidders may, at their discretion, substitute the applicable laws of a Canadian province or territory of their choice without affecting the validity of its bid, by deleting the name of the Canadian province or territory specified and inserting the name of the Canadian province or territory of its choice. If no change is made, it acknowledges that the applicable laws specified are acceptable to the Bidder. Bidders are requested to indicate the Canadian province or territory they wish to apply to any resulting contract in their Bid Submission Form.

#### 2.6 Improvement of Requirement During Solicitation Period

Should bidders consider that the specifications or Statement of Work contained in the bid solicitation could be improved technically or technologically, bidders are invited to make suggestions, in writing, to the Contracting Authority named in the bid solicitation. Bidders must clearly outline the suggested improvement as well as the reasons for the suggestion. Suggestions that do not restrict the level of competition nor favour a particular bidder will be given consideration provided they are submitted to the Contracting Authority in accordance with the article entitled "Enquiries - Bid Solicitation". Canada will have the right to accept or reject any or all suggestions.

#### 2.7 Volumetric Data

The estimated number of days for each resource category has been provided to Bidders to assist them in preparing their bids. The inclusion of this data in this bid solicitation does not represent a commitment by Canada that Canada's future usage of the service identified in this bid solicitation will be consistent with this data. It is provided purely for information purposes.

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# Initial Contract Period - Year 1

RESOURCE CATEGORY	LEVEL	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAYS
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	3	440
C.3 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst	3	440
C.6 Information Technology Security Engineer	3	880
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	3	440

# Initial Contract Period - Year 2

RESOURCE CATEGORY	LEVEL	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAYS
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	3	440
C.3 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst	3	440
C.6 Information Technology Security Engineer	3	880
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	3	440

# Option Period - Year 3

RESOURCE CATEGORY	LEVEL	ESTIMATED NUMBER OF DAYS
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	3	40
C.3 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst	3	40
C.6 Information Technology Security Engineer	3	80
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	3	40

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# **PART 3 - BID PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS**

# 3.1 Bid Preparation Instructions

- (a) Canada requests that Bidders submit their bid electronically via email. DND's email network has the ability to receive multiple documents up to 5MB per email. It is the responsibility of the Bidder to submit their bids within this restriction, submitting multiple emails if necessary to stay under the 5MB limit per email. Canada will not be responsible for any failure attributable to the transmission or receipt of the bid including, but not limited to, the following:
  - (i) receipt of garbled, corrupted, or incomplete bid;
  - (ii) availability or condition of the DND email network service;
  - (iii) incompatibility between the sending and receiving equipment;
  - (iv) delay in transmission or receipt of the bid;
  - (v) failure of the Bidder to properly identify the bid;
  - (vi) illegibility of the bid; or
  - (vii) security of the bid.

The Procurement Authority will send an acknowledgement of the receipt of bid documents via email reply to confirm only the receipt of bid document(s) and will not confirm if the attachments may be opened nor if the content is readable.

# (b) Copies of Bid:

- (i) The bid must be gathered per section and separated as follows:
  - (A) Section I: Technical Bid
  - (B) Section II: Financial Bid
  - (C) Section III: Certifications
- (ii) Prices must appear in the financial bid only. No prices must be indicated in any other section of the bid.
- (iii) For further information please refer to article 08 Transmission by facsimile or by epost Connect at <a href="https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1/2003/23#transmission-by-facsimile">https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual/1/2003/23#transmission-by-facsimile</a>.

# (c) Submission of Only One Bid:

- (i) A Bidder, including related entities, will be permitted to submit only one bid in response to this bid solicitation. If a Bidder or any related entities participate in more than one bid (participating means being part of the Bidder, not being a subcontractor), Canada will provide those Bidders with 2 working days to identify the single bid to be considered by Canada. Failure to meet this deadline will result in all the affected bids being disqualified.
- (ii) For the purposes of this Article, regardless of the jurisdiction where any of the entities concerned is incorporated or otherwise formed as a matter of law (whether that entity is a natural person, corporation, partnership, etc), an entity will be considered to be "related" to a Bidder if:
  - (A) they are the same legal entity (i.e., the same natural person, corporation, partnership, limited liability partnership, etc.);

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- (B) they are "related persons" or "affiliated persons" according to the Canada Income Tax Act;
- (C) the entities have now or in the two years before bid closing had a fiduciary relationship with one another (either as a result of an agency arrangement or any other form of fiduciary relationship); or
- (D) the entities otherwise do not deal with one another at arm's length, or each of them does not deal at arm's length with the same third party.
- (iii) Individual members of a joint venture cannot participate in another bid, either by submitting a bid alone or by participating in another joint venture.

# (c) Joint Venture Experience:

(i) Where the Bidder is a joint venture with existing experience as that joint venture, it may submit the experience that it has obtained as that joint venture.

Example: A bidder is a joint venture consisting of members L and O. A bid solicitation requires that the bidder demonstrate experience providing maintenance and help desk services for a period of 24 months to a customer with at least 10,000 users. As a joint venture (consisting of members L and O), the bidder has previously done the work. This bidder can use this experience to meet the requirement. If member L obtained this experience while in a joint venture with a third-party N, however, that experience cannot be used because the third-party N is not part of the joint venture that is bidding.

(ii) A joint venture bidder may rely on the experience of one of its members to meet any given technical criterion of this bid solicitation.

Example: A bidder is a joint venture consisting of members X, Y and Z. If a solicitation requires: (a) that the bidder have 3 years of experience providing maintenance service, and (b) that the bidder have 2 years of experience integrating hardware with complex networks, then each of these two requirements can be met by a different member of the joint venture. However, for a single criterion, such as the requirement for 3 years of experience providing maintenance services, the bidder cannot indicate that each of members X, Y and Z has one year of experience, totaling 3 years. Such a response would be declared non-responsive.

(iii) Joint venture members cannot pool their abilities with other joint venture members to satisfy a single technical criterion of this bid solicitation. However, a joint venture member can pool its individual experience with the experience of the joint venture itself. Wherever substantiation of a criterion is required, the Bidder is requested to indicate which joint venture member satisfies the requirement. If the Bidder has not identified which joint venture member satisfies the requirement, the Contracting Authority will provide an opportunity to the Bidder to submit this information during the evaluation period. If the Bidder does not submit this information within the period set by the Contracting Authority, its bid will be declared non-responsive.

Example: A bidder is a joint venture consisting of members A and B. If a bid solicitation requires that the bidder demonstrate experience providing resources for a minimum number of 100 billable days, the bidder may demonstrate that experience by submitting either:

- Contracts all signed by A;
- Contracts all signed by B; or
- Contracts all signed by A and B in joint venture, or
- Contracts signed by A and contracts signed by A and B in joint venture, or
- Contracts signed by B and contracts signed by A and B in joint venture.

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That show in total 100 billable days.

(iv) Any Bidder with questions regarding the way in which a joint venture bid will be evaluated should raise such questions through the Enquiries process as early as possible during the bid solicitation period.

#### 3.2 Section I: Technical Bid

The technical bid consists of the following:

- (i) **Bid Submission Form**: Bidders are requested to include the Bid Submission Form Form 1 with their bids. It provides a common form in which bidders can provide information required for evaluation and contract award, such as a contact name and the Bidder's Procurement Business Number, etc. Using the form to provide this information is not mandatory, but it is recommended. If Canada determines that the information required by the Bid Submission Form is incomplete or requires correction, Canada will provide the Bidder with an opportunity to do so.
- (ii) **Security Clearance**: Bidders are requested to submit the following security information for each of the proposed resources with their bids on or before the bid closing date:

SECURITY INFORMATION	
Name of individual as it appears on security clearance application form	
Level of security clearance obtained	
Validity period of security clearance obtained	
Security Screening Certificate and Briefing Form file number	

If the Bidder has not included the security information in its bid, the Contracting Authority will provide an opportunity to the Bidder to submit the security information during the evaluation period. If the Bidder has not submitted the security information within the period set by the Contracting Authority, its bid will be declared non-responsive.

### (iii) Substantiation of Technical Compliance:

- (A) Mandatory Technical Criteria: The technical bid must substantiate the compliance with the specific articles of Form 2, which is the requested format for providing the substantiation. The substantiation must not simply be a repetition of the requirement(s) but must explain and demonstrate how the Bidder will meet the requirements and carry out the required Work. Simply stating that the Bidder or its proposed solution or resources comply is not sufficient. Where Canada determines that the substantiation is not complete, the Bidder will be considered non-responsive and disqualified. The substantiation may refer to additional documentation submitted with the bid this information can be referenced in the "Bidder's Response" column of Form 2, where Bidders are requested to indicate where in the bid the reference material can be found, including the title of the document, and the page and paragraph numbers; where the reference is not sufficiently precise, Canada may request that the Bidder direct Canada to the appropriate location in the documentation.
- (B) **Point-Rated Technical Criteria**: The technical bid must substantiate the compliance with the specific articles of Form 2, which is the requested format for providing the substantiation. The substantiation must not simply be a repetition of the requirement(s) but must explain and demonstrate how the Bidder will meet the

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requirements and carry out the required Work. Simply stating that the Bidder or its proposed solution or resources comply is not sufficient. Where Canada determines that the substantiation is not complete, the Bidder will be rated accordingly. The substantiation may refer to additional documentation submitted with the bid - this information can be referenced in the "Bidder's Response" column of Form 2, where Bidders are requested to indicate where in the bid the reference material can be found, including the title of the document, and the page and paragraph numbers; where the reference is not sufficiently precise, Canada may request that the Bidder direct Canada to the appropriate location in the documentation.

- (iv) Previous Similar Projects: Where the bid must include a description of previous similar projects: (i) a project must have been completed by the Bidder itself (and cannot include the experience of any proposed subcontractor or any affiliate of the Bidder); (ii) a project must have been completed by the bid closing date; (iii) each project description must include, at minimum, the name and either the telephone number or e-mail address of a customer reference; and (iv) if more similar projects are provided than requested, Canada will decide in its discretion which projects will be evaluated. A project will be considered "similar" to the Work to be performed under any resulting contract if the project was for the performance of work that closely matches the TBIPS descriptions of the Resource Categories identified in Annex A. Work will be considered to "closely match" if the work in the provided project is described in at least 50% of the points of responsibility listed in the description of the given Resource Category.
- (v) For Proposed Resources: The technical bid must include résumés for the resources as identified in Form 2. The Technical bid must demonstrate that each proposed individual meets the qualification requirements described (including any educational requirements, work experience requirements, and professional designation or membership requirements). With respect to the proposed resources:
  - (A) Proposed resources may be employees of the Bidder or employees of a subcontractor, or these individuals may be independent contractors to whom the Bidder would subcontract a portion of the Work (refer to Part 5, Certifications).
  - (B) For educational requirements for a particular degree, designation, or certificate, DND will only consider educational programs that were successfully completed by the resource by the time of bid closing. If the degree, designation, or certification was issued by an educational institution outside of Canada, the Bidder is requested to provide a copy of the results of the academic credential assessment and qualification recognition service issued by an agency or organization recognized by the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (CICIC).
  - (C) For requirements relating to professional designation or membership, the resource must have the required designation or membership by the time of bid closing and must continue, where applicable, to be a member in good standing of the profession or membership throughout the evaluation period and Contract Period. Where the designation or membership must be demonstrated through a certification, diploma or degree, such document must be current, valid, and issued by the entity specified in this solicitation. If the entity is not specified, the issuer must have been an accredited or otherwise recognized body, institution, or entity at the time the document was issued. If the degree, diploma, or certification was issued by an educational institution outside of Canada, the Bidder is requested to provide a copy of the results of the academic credential assessment and qualification recognition service issued by an agency or organization recognized by the Canadian Information Centre for International Credentials (CICIC).

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- (D) For work experience, Canada will not consider experience gained as part of an educational program, except for experience gained through a formal co-operative program at a post-secondary institution.
- (E) For any requirements that specify a particular time period (e.g., 2 years) of work experience, DND will disregard any information about experience if the technical bid does not include the relevant dates (month and year) for the experience claimed (i.e., the start date and end date). Canada will evaluate only the duration that the resource actually worked on a project or projects (from his or her start date to end date), instead of the overall start and end date of a project or a combination of projects in which a resource has participated.
- (F) For work experience to be considered by Canada, the technical bid must not simply indicate the title of the individual's position but must demonstrate that the resource has the required work experience by explaining the responsibilities and work performed by the individual while in that position. Only listing experience without providing any supporting data to describe responsibilities, duties, and relevance to the requirement, or reusing the same wording as the qualification requirements, will not be considered "demonstrated" for the purposes of the assessment. The Contractor should provide complete details as to where, when, month and year, and how, through which activities/responsibilities, the stated qualifications / experience were obtained. In situations in which a proposed resource worked at the same time on more than one project, the duration of any overlapping time period will be counted only once toward any requirements that relate to the individual's length of experience.

#### 3.3 Section II: Financial Bid

- (a) **Pricing**: Bidders must submit their financial bid in accordance with the Basis of Payment provided in Annex B. The total amount of Applicable Taxes must be shown separately, if applicable. Unless otherwise indicated, bidders must include a single, firm, all-inclusive per diem rate quoted in Canadian dollars in each cell requiring an entry in the pricing tables.
- (b) **Variation in Resource Rates By Time Period**: For any given resource category, where the financial tables provided by Canada allow different firm rates to be charged for a resource category during different time periods:
  - (i) the rate bid must not increase by more than 5% from one time period to the next and
  - (ii) the rate bid for the same resource category during any subsequent time period must not be lower than the rate bid for the time period that includes the first month of the Initial Contract Period.
- (c) Variation in Resource Rates By Level: Where the financial tables provided by Canada allow different firm rates to be charged for different levels of experience within the same resource category and time period, for any such resource category and time period:
  - (i) the rate bid for level three must be the same or higher than that bid for level two, and
  - (ii) the rate bid for level two must be the same or higher than the rate bid for level one.
- (d) All Costs to be Included: The financial bid must include all costs for the requirement described in the bid solicitation for the entire Contract Period, including any option periods. The identification of all necessary equipment, software, peripherals, cabling, and components required to meet the requirements of the bid solicitation and the associated costs of these items is the sole responsibility of the Bidder.
- (e) **Blank Prices**: Bidders are requested to insert "\$0.00" for any item for which it does not intend to charge or for items that are already included in other prices set out in the tables. If the Bidder leaves any price blank, Canada will treat the price as "\$0.00" for evaluation purposes and may

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request that the Bidder confirm that the price is, in fact, \$0.00. No bidder will be permitted to add or change a price as part of this confirmation. Any bidder who does not confirm that the price for a blank item is \$0.00 will be declared non-responsive.

(f) Electronic Payment of Invoices – Bid: If you are willing to accept payment of invoices by Electronic Payment Instruments, complete Form 5 Electronic Payment Instruments, to identify which ones are accepted. If Form 5 Electronic Payment Instruments is not completed, it will be considered as if Electronic Payment Instruments are not being accepted for payment of invoices. Acceptance of Electronic Payment Instruments will not be considered as an evaluation criterion.

#### 3.4 Section III: Certifications

It is a requirement that bidders submit the certifications and additional information identified under Part 5.

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# PART 4 - EVALUATION PROCEDURES AND BASIS OF SELECTION

#### 4.1 Evaluation Procedures

- (a) Bids will be assessed in accordance with the entire requirement of the bid solicitation including the technical and financial evaluation criteria. There are several steps in the evaluation process, which are described below. Even though the evaluation and selection will be conducted in steps, the fact that Canada has proceeded to a later step does not mean that Canada has conclusively determined that the Bidder has successfully passed all the previous steps. Canada may conduct steps of the evaluation in parallel.
- (b) An evaluation team composed of representatives of the Client and DND will evaluate the bids on behalf of Canada. Canada may hire any independent consultant, or use any Government resources, to evaluate any bid. Not all members of the evaluation team will necessarily participate in all aspects of the evaluation.
- (c) In addition to any other time periods established in the bid solicitation:
  - (i) Requests for Clarifications: If Canada seeks clarification or verification from the Bidder about its bid, the Bidder will have 2 working days (or a longer period if specified in writing by the Contracting Authority) to provide the necessary information to Canada. Failure to meet this deadline will result in the bid being declared non-responsive.
  - (ii) Requests for Further Information: If Canada requires additional information in order to do any of the following pursuant to the Section entitled "Conduct of Evaluation" in 2003, Standard Instructions Goods or Services Competitive Requirements:
    - (A) verify any or all information provided by the Bidder in its bid; or
    - (B) contact any or all references supplied by the Bidder (e.g., references named in the résumés of individual resources) to verify and validate any information submitted by the Bidder,

The Bidder must provide the information requested by Canada within 5 working days of a request by the Contracting Authority.

(iii) **Extension of Time**: If additional time is required by the Bidder, the Contracting Authority may grant an extension in his or her sole discretion.

### 4.2 Technical Evaluation

# (a) Mandatory Technical Criteria:

- (i) Each bid will be reviewed for compliance with the mandatory requirements of the bid solicitation. Any element of the bid solicitation that is identified specifically with the words "must" or "mandatory" is a mandatory requirement. Bids that do not comply with each and every mandatory requirement will be declared non-responsive and be disqualified.
- (ii) The mandatory technical criteria are described in Form 2.

### (b) Point-Rated Technical Criteria:

- (i) Each bid will be rated by assigning a score to the rated requirements, which are identified in the bid solicitation by the word "rated" or by reference to a score. Bidders who fail to submit complete bids with all the information requested by this bid solicitation will be rated accordingly.
- (ii) The rated requirements are described in Form 2.

# (c) Number of Resources Evaluated:

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Only a certain number of resources per Resource Category will be evaluated as part of this bid solicitation as identified in Form 2. Additional Resources will only be assessed after contract award once specific tasks are requested of the Contractor. After contract award, the Task Authorization process will be in accordance with Part 7 – Resulting Contract Clauses, the Article titled "Task Authorization". When a Task Authorization Form (TA Form) is issued, the Contractor will be requested to propose a resource to satisfy the specific requirement based on the TA Form's Statement of Work. The proposed resource will then be assessed against the criteria identified in the Contract's Statement of Work in accordance with Appendix C of Annex A.

#### 4.3 Financial Evaluation

The financial evaluation will be conducted using the pricing tables completed by the Bidders. A financial calculation will occur for each Bidder by multiplying its firm per diem rates for the Contract Period with the estimated number of days of work for each period, for all Resource Categories stated in Form 3 – Pricing Schedule. The sum of such rates will constitute the Total Bid Price for that Bidder.

#### 4.4 Basis of Selection

(a) Evaluation of Bid

**Selection Process**: The following selection process will be conducted:

- (i) A bid must comply with the requirements of the bid solicitation, meet all mandatory evaluation criteria, and obtain the required pass marks for the point rated criteria identified in this bid solicitation to be declared responsive.
- (ii) The responsive bid that obtains the highest Total Bidder Score will be recommended for award of a contract. For any given Bidder, the greatest possible Total Technical Score is 70 while the greatest possible Total Financial Score is 30.
  - (A) Calculation of Total Technical Score: The Total Technical Score will be computed for each responsive bid by converting the Technical Score obtained for the point-rated technical criteria using the following formula, rounded to two decimal places:

    Technical Score

    x 70 = Total Technical Score

    Maximum Technical Points (Bidders, please refer to the maximum technical points at Form 3)
  - (B) Calculation of Total Financial Score: The Total Financial Score will be computed for each responsive bid by converting the Financial Score obtained for the financial evaluation using the following formula rounded to two decimal places:

    <u>Financial Score</u>

    x 30 = Total Financial Score

    Total Maximum Points Assigned (**Bidders**,

    please refer to the total maximum points assigned).
  - (C) Calculation of the Total Bidder Score: The Total Bidder Score will be computed for each responsive bid in accordance with the following formula:

    Total Technical Score + Total Financial Score = Total Bidder Score
- (iii) In the event of identical Total Bidder Scores occurring within, then the bid with the highest Total Technical Score will become the top-ranked bidder.
- (b) One contract may be awarded in total as a result of this bid solicitation.
- (c) Bidders should note that all contract awards are subject to Canada's internal approvals process, which includes a requirement to approve funding in the amount of any proposed contract. Despite the fact that the Bidder may have been recommended for contract award, a contract will only be awarded if internal approval is granted according to Canada's internal policies. If approval is not granted, no contract will be awarded.

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# PART 5 - CERTIFICATIONS AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Bidders must provide the required certifications and additional information to be awarded a contract. The certifications provided by Bidders to Canada are subject to verification by Canada at all times. Unless specified otherwise, Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default if any certification made by the Bidder is found to be untrue, whether made knowingly or unknowingly, during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period.

The Contracting Authority will have the right to ask for additional information to verify Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply and to cooperate with any request or requirement imposed by the Contracting Authority will render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

### 5.1 Certifications Precedent to Contract Award and Additional Information

The certifications and additional information listed below should be submitted with the bid but may be submitted afterwards. If any of these required certifications or additional information is not completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the certifications or the additional information listed below within the time frame provided will render the bid non-responsive.

#### (a) 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 Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour's website.(https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/employment-equity/federal-contractor-program.html).

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.

Canada will also have the right to terminate the Contract for default if a Contractor, or any member of the Contractor if the Contractor is a Joint Venture, appears on the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list during the period of the Contract.

The Bidder must provide the Contracting Authority with a completed Form 4, Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Certification, before contract award. If the Bidder is a Joint Venture, the Bidder must provide the Contracting Authority with a completed Attachment Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Certification, for each member of the Joint Venture.

#### (b) Professional Services Resources

- (i) By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that, if it is awarded a contract as a result of the bid solicitation, every individual proposed in its bid will be available to perform the Work as required by Canada's representatives and at the time specified in the bid solicitation or agreed to with Canada's representatives.
- (ii) By submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that all the information provided in the résumés and supporting material submitted with its bid, particularly the information pertaining to education, achievements, experience and work history, has been verified by the Bidder to be true and accurate. Furthermore, the Bidder warrants that every individual proposed by the Bidder for the requirement is capable of performing the Work described in the resulting contract.

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- (iii) If the Bidder is unable to provide the services of an individual named in its bid due to the death, sickness, extended leave (including parental leave or disability leave), retirement, resignation or dismissal for cause of that individual, within five business days of Canada's knowledge of the unavailability of the individual the Bidder may propose a substitute to the Contracting Authority, providing:
  - A. the reason for the substitution with substantiating documentation acceptable to the Contracting Authority;
  - D. the name, qualifications, and experience of a proposed replacement immediately available for work; and
  - E. proof that the proposed replacement has the required security clearance granted by Canada, if applicable.

No more than one substitute will be considered for any given individual proposed in the bid. In response to the Bidder's proposed substitution, the Contracting Authority may elect in its sole discretion either to:

- (A) set aside the bid and give it no further consideration; or
- (B) evaluate the replacement in accordance with the requirements of the bid solicitation in the place of the original resource as if that replacement had originally been proposed in the bid, with any necessary adjustments being made to the evaluation results, including the rank of the bid vis-à-vis other bids.

If no substitute is proposed the Contracting Authority will set aside the bid and give it no further consideration.

(iv) If a Bidder has proposed any individual who is not an employee of the Bidder, by submitting a bid, the Bidder certifies that it has the permission from that individual to propose his/her services in relation to the Work to be performed and to submit his/her résumé to Canada. The Bidder must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide a written confirmation, signed by the individual, of the permission given to the Bidder and of his/her availability. Failure to comply with the request may result in the bid being declared non-responsive.

#### (c) Submission of Only One Bid

By submitting a bid, the Bidder is certifying that it does not consider itself to be related to any other bidder.

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# PART 6 – SECURITY AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

# 6.1 Security Requirement

- (a) Before award of a contract, the following conditions must be met:
  - the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 -Resulting Contract Clauses;
  - the Bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information,
     assets or sensitive work site(s) must meet the security requirements as indicated in Part 7
     Resulting Contract Clauses; and
  - (iii) the Bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets, or sensitive work sites.
- (b) 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.
- (c) For additional information on security requirements, Bidders should refer to the Contract Security Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (<a href="http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html">http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html</a>) website.
- (d) In the case of a joint venture bidder, each member of the joint venture must meet the security requirements.

# 6.1.2 Security Requirement

- (a) At the date of bid closing, the following conditions must be met:
  - (i) the Bidder must hold a valid organization security clearance as indicated in Part 7 Resulting Contract Clauses;
  - the Bidder's proposed individuals requiring access to classified or protected information, assets or sensitive work site(s) must meet the security requirements as indicated in Part 7
     Resulting Contract Clauses; and
  - (iii) the Bidder must provide the name of all individuals who will require access to classified or protected information, assets, or sensitive work sites.
- (b) For additional information on security requirements, Bidders should refer to the Contract Security Program of Public Works and Government Services Canada (<a href="http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html">http://www.tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca/esc-src/introduction-eng.html</a>) website.
- (c) In the case of a joint venture bidder, each member of the joint venture must meet the security requirements.

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# PART 7 - RESULTING CONTRACT CLAUSES

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

#### 7.1 Requirement

- (a) TO BE INSERTED UPON CONTRACT AWARD (the "Contractor") agrees to supply to the Client the services described in the Contract, including the Statement of Work, in accordance with, and at the prices set out in, the Contract. This includes providing professional services as and when requested by Canada, to one or more locations to be designated by Canada, excluding any locations in areas subject to any of the Comprehensive Land Claims Agreements.
- (b) Client: Under the Contract, the "Client" is the Department of National Defence
- (c) Reorganization of Client: The Contractor's obligation to perform the Work will not be affected by (and no additional fees will be payable as a result of) the renaming, reorganization, reconfiguration, or restructuring of any Client. The reorganization, reconfiguration and restructuring of the Client includes the privatization of the Client, its merger with another entity, or its dissolution, where that dissolution is followed by the creation of another entity or entities with mandates similar to the original Client. In connection with any form of reorganization, Canada may designate another department or government body as the Contracting Authority or Technical Authority, as required to reflect the new roles and responsibilities associated with the reorganization.
- (d) **Defined Terms**: Words and expressions defined in the General Conditions or Supplemental General Conditions and used in the Contract have the meanings given to them in the General Conditions or Supplemental General Conditions. Any reference to an Identified User in the Supply Arrangement is a reference to the Client. Also, any reference to a "deliverable" or "deliverables" includes all documentation outlined in this Contract. A reference to a "local office" of the Contractor means an office having at least one full time employee that is not a shared resource working at that location.

### 7.2 Task Authorization

- (a) As-and-when-requested Task Authorizations: The Work or a portion of the Work to be performed under the Contract will be on an "as-and-when-requested basis" using a Task Authorization (TA). The Work described in the TA must be in accordance with the scope of the Contract. The Contractor must not commence work until a validly issued TA has been issued by Canada and received by the Contractor. The Contractor acknowledges that any work performed before such issuance and receipt will be done at the Contractor's own risk.
- (b) **Assessment of Resources Proposed at TA Stage**: Processes for issuing, responding to and assessing Task Authorizations are further detailed in Appendices A, B, C and D of Annex A.
- (c) Form and Content of draft Task Authorization:
  - (i) The Technical Authority will provide the Contractor with a description of the task in a draft Task Authorization using the form specified in Appendix B of Annex A.
  - (ii) The draft Task Authorization will contain the details of the activities to be performed, and must also contain the following information:
    - (A) the task number;
    - (B) The date by which the Contractor's response must be received (which will appear in the draft Task Authorization, but not the issued Task Authorization);
    - (C) the categories of resources and the number required;
    - (D) a description of the work for the task outlining the activities to be performed and identifying any deliverables (such as reports);

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- (E) the start and completion dates;
- (F) any option(s) to extend initial end date (if applicable);
- (G) milestone dates for deliverables and payments (if applicable);
- (H) the number of person-days of effort required;
- (I) whether the work requires on-site activities and the location;
- (J) the language profile of the resources required;
- (K) the level of security clearance required of resources;
- (L) the price payable to the Contractor for performing the task, with an indication of whether it is a firm price or a maximum TA price (and, for maximum price task authorizations, the TA must indicate how the final amount payable will be determined; where the TA does not indicate how the final amount payable will be determined, the amount payable is the amount, up to the maximum, that the Contractor demonstrates was actually worked on the project, by submitting time sheets filled in at the time of the work by the individual resources to support the charges); and
- (M) any other constraints that might affect the completion of the task.
- (d) Contractor's Response to Draft Task Authorization: The Contractor must provide to the Technical Authority, within 2 working days of receiving the draft Task Authorization (or within any longer time period specified in the draft TA), a quotation with the proposed total price for performing the task and a breakdown of that cost, established in accordance with the Basis of Payment specified in the Contract, as well as its corresponding proposed resource(s) in accordance with Appendix A to Annex A of the Contract. The Contractor's quotation must be based on the rates set out in the Contract. The Contractor will not be paid for preparing or providing its response or for providing other information required to prepare and validly issue the TA.
- (e) Task Authorization Limit and Authorities for Validly Issuing Task Authorizations:

To be validly issued, a TA must be signed by the Contracting Authority

Any TA that does not bear the appropriate signature(s) is not validly issued by Canada. Any work performed by the Contractor without receiving a validly issued TA is done at the Contractor's own risk. If the Contractor receives a TA that is not appropriately signed, the Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority. By providing written notice to the Contractor, the Contracting Authority may suspend the Client's ability to issue TAs at any time; any suspension notice is effective upon receipt.

- (f) Administration of Task Authorization Process for DND: The administration of the Task Authorization process will be carried out by a representative from the DND Procurement Authority. This process includes monitoring, controlling, and reporting on expenditures of the contract with task authorizations to the Contracting Authority.
- (g) Periodic Usage Reports:
  - (i) The Contractor must compile and maintain records on its provision of services to the federal government under Task Authorizations validly issued under the Contract. The Contractor must provide this data to Canada in accordance with the reporting requirements detailed below. If some data is not available, the reason must be indicated. If services are not provided during a given period, the Contractor must still provide a "NIL" report. The data must be submitted on a quarterly basis to the Contracting Authority. From time to time, the Contracting Authority may also require an interim report during a reporting period.
  - (ii) The quarterly periods are defined as follows:
    - (A) 1<sup>st</sup> quarter: April 1 to June 30;

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- (B) 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter: July 1 to September 30;
- (C) 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter: October 1 to December 31; and
- (D) 4<sup>th</sup> quarter: January 1 to March 31.

The data must be submitted to the Contracting Authority no later than 10 calendar days after the end of the reporting period.

- (iii) Each report must contain the following information for each validly issued TA (as amended):
  - (A) the Task Authorization number and the Task Authorization Revision number(s), if applicable;
  - (B) a title or a brief description of each authorized task;
  - (C) the name, Resource category and level of each resource involved in performing the TA, as applicable;
  - the total estimated cost specified in the validly issued TA of each task, exclusive of Applicable Taxes;
  - (E) the total amount, exclusive of Applicable Taxes, expended to date against each authorized task;
  - (F) the start and completion date for each authorized task; and
  - (G) the active status of each authorized task, as applicable (e.g., indicate whether work is in progress or if Canada has cancelled or suspended the TA, etc.).
- (iv) Each report must also contain the following cumulative information for all the validly issued TA's (as amended):
  - (A) the amount, exclusive of Applicable Taxes, specified in the Contract (as last amended, as applicable) as Canada's total liability to the Contractor for all validly issued TA's; and
  - (B) the total amount, exclusive of Applicable Taxes, expended to date against all validly issued TA's.

#### 7.3 Minimum Work Guarantee

- (a) In this clause,
  - (i) "Maximum Contract Value" means the amount specified in the "Limitation of Expenditure" clause set out in the Contract; and
  - (ii) "Minimum Contract Value" means 5% of the Maximum Contract Value (excluding Applicable Taxes).
- (b) Canada's obligation under the Contract is to request Work in the amount of the Minimum Contract Value or, at Canada's option, to pay the Contractor at the end of the Contract in accordance with sub-article (c), subject to sub-article (d). In consideration of such obligation, the Contractor agrees to stand in readiness throughout the Contract Period to perform the Work described in the Contract. Canada's maximum liability for work performed under the Contract must not exceed the Maximum Contract Value unless an increase is authorized in writing by the Contracting Authority.
- (c) In the event that Canada does not request work in the amount of the Minimum Contract Value during the Contract Period, Canada must pay the Contractor the difference between the Minimum Contract Value and the total cost of the Work requested.
- (d) Canada will have no obligation to the Contractor under this article if Canada terminates the entire Contract:

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- (i) for default;
- (ii) for convenience as a result of any decision or recommendation of a tribunal or court that the contract be cancelled, re-tendered or awarded to another supplier; or
- (iii) for convenience within ten business days of Contract award.

#### 7.4 Standard Clauses and Conditions

All clauses and conditions identified in the Contract by number, date and title are set out in the Standard Acquisition Clauses and Conditions Manual (<a href="https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual">https://buyandsell.gc.ca/policy-and-guidelines/standard-acquisition-clauses-and-conditions-manual</a>) issued by Public Works and Government Services Canada.

### (a) General Conditions:

(i) <u>2035</u> (2022-12-01), General Conditions - Higher Complexity - Services, apply to and form part of the Contract.

With respect to Section 30 - Termination for Convenience, of General Conditions 2035, Subsection 04 is deleted and replaced with the following Subsections 04, 05 and 06:

- 4. The total of the amounts, to which the Contractor is entitled to be paid under this section, together with any amounts paid, due or becoming due to the Contractor must not exceed the Contract Price.
- 5. Where the Contracting Authority terminates the entire Contract and the Articles of Agreement include a Minimum Work Guarantee, the total amount to be paid to the Contractor under the Contract will not exceed the greater of:
  - (a) the total amount the Contractor may be paid under this section, together with any amounts paid, becoming due other than payable under the Minimum Work Guarantee, or due to the Contractor as of the date of termination, or
  - (b) the amount payable under the Minimum Work Guarantee, less any amounts paid, due or otherwise becoming due to the Contractor as of the date of termination.
- 6. The Contractor will have no claim for damages, compensation, loss of profit, allowance arising out of any termination notice given by Canada under this section except to the extent that this section expressly provides. The Contractor agrees to repay immediately to Canada the portion of any advance payment that is unliquidated at the date of the termination.

#### (b) Supplemental General Conditions:

The following Supplemental General Conditions:

(i) 4006 (2010-08-16), Supplemental General Conditions - Contractor to Own Intellectual Property Rights in Foreground Information;

#### 7.5 Security Requirement

The following security requirements, applies to and forms part of the Contract:

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1. The Contractor must, at all times during the performance of the Contract, hold a valid Facility Security Clearance at the level of SECRET, issued by the Contract Security Program (CSP), Public Works and Government Services Canada (PWGSC).

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- 2. 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 SECRET, or RELIABILITY STATUS, as required, granted, or approved by the CSP, PWGSC.
- 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.
- 4. Subcontracts which contain security requirements are NOT to be awarded without the prior written permission of the CSP, PWGSC.
- 5. The Contractor must comply with the provisions of the:
  - (a) Security Requirements Check List and security guide (if applicable), attached at Annex C;
  - (b) Contract Security Manual (Latest Edition).

#### 7.6 Contract Period

- (a) **Contract Period**: The "**Contract Period**" is the entire period of time during which the Contractor is obliged to perform the Work, which includes:
  - (i) The "Initial Contract Period", which begins on the date the Contract is awarded and ends 2 years later; and
  - (ii) The period during which the Contract is extended, if Canada chooses to exercise any options set out in the Contract.

### (b) Option to Extend the Contract:

- (i) The Contractor grants to Canada the irrevocable option to extend the term of the Contract by up to 1 additional 1-year period under the same terms and conditions. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions set out in the Basis of Payment.
- (ii) Canada may exercise this option at any time by sending a written notice to the Contractor before the expiry date of the Contract. The option may only be exercised by the Contracting Authority, and will be evidenced, for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

#### 7.7 Authorities

(a) Contracting Authority

The Contracting	Authority for the Contract is:	: (To be identified at time of Contract award)
Name:		
Title:		
Department of N	lational Defence	
Directorate:		
Address:		
Telephone:		
E-mail address:		

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.

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#### (b) **Procurement Authority**

	Name: Title: Organization: Address: Telephone: E-mail address:		
(c)	The Procurement Authority is the representative of the department or agency for whom the Work is being carried out under the Contract. The Procurement Authority is responsible for the implementation of tools and processes required for the administration of the Contract. The Contractor may discuss administrative matters identified in the Contract with the Procurement Authority however the Procurement Authority has no authority to authorize changes to the scope of the Work. Changes to the scope of Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.  Technical Authority		
( )	The Technical Authority for the Contract is: (To be identified at time of Contract award)		
	Name: Title: Organization: Address: Telephone: E-mail address:		
	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		

the Work. Changes to the scope of the Work can only be made through a contract amendment issued by the Contracting Authority.

#### (d) **Contractor's Representative**

(To be identified at time of Contract award)

#### 7.8 **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 Public Service Superannuation Act (PSSA) pension, the Contractor has agreed that this information will be reported on departmental web sites as part of the published proactive disclosure reports, in accordance with Contracting Policy Notice: 2012-2 of the Treasury Board Secretariat of Canada.

#### 7.9 **Payment**

#### (a) **Basis of Payment**

(i) Professional Services provided under a Task Authorization with a Maximum Price: For professional services requested by Canada, in accordance with a validly issued Task Authorization, Canada will pay the Contractor, in arrears, up to the Maximum Price for the TA, for actual time worked and any resulting deliverables in accordance with the firm all $\label{eq:solution} \begin{array}{lll} \text{Solicitation No. - N}^\circ \text{ de l'invitation} \\ W6369-23P5OY/001 \\ \text{Client Ref. No. - N}^\circ \text{ de réf. du client} \\ W6369-23P5OY/001 \\ \end{array}$ 

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inclusive per diem rates set out in Annex B, Basis of Payment, Applicable Taxes extra. Partial days will be prorated based on actual hours worked based on a 7.5-hour workday.

- (ii) Competitive Award: The Contractor acknowledges that the Contract has been awarded as a result of a competitive process. No additional charges will be allowed to compensate for errors, oversights, misconceptions, or underestimates made by the Contractor when bidding for the Contract.
- (iii) Contractor's Firm Per Diem Rates: The Contractor agrees that the rates set out in Annex B remain firm throughout the Contract Period, except as may be provided for in the express terms of the contract. In reference to Article 18(1) of SACC General Conditions 2035, the Contractor acknowledges that its obligation to provide services in accordance with the firm rates set out in Annex B is unaffected by the application of any existing law or any new law which may come into effect during the Contract Period.
- (iv) Professional Services Rates: In Canada's experience, bidders from time to time propose rates at the time of bidding for one or more Resource Categories that they later refuse to honour, on the basis that these rates do not allow them to recover their own costs and/or make a profit. This denies Canada of the benefit of the awarded contract. If the Contractor does not respond or refuses to provide an individual with the qualifications described in the Contract within the time described in the Contract (or proposes instead to provide someone from an alternate category at a different rate), whether or not Canada terminates the Contract as a whole or in part or chooses to exercise any of the rights provided to it under the general conditions, Canada may impose sanctions or take other measures in accordance with the PWGSC Vendor Performance Corrective Measure Policy (or equivalent) then in effect, which measures may include an assessment that results in conditions applied against the Contractor to be fulfilled before doing further business with Canada, or full debarment of the Contractor from bidding on future requirements.
- (v) Purpose of Estimates: All estimated costs contained in the Contract are included solely for the administrative purposes of Canada and do not represent a commitment on the part of Canada to purchase goods or services in these amounts. Any commitment to purchase specific amounts or values of goods or services is described elsewhere in the Contract.

### (b) Limitation of Expenditure – Cumulative Total of all Task Authorizations

- (i) Canada's total liability to the Contractor under the Contract for all validly issued Task Authorizations (TAs), inclusive of any revisions, must not exceed the amount set out on page 1 of the Contract, less any Applicable taxes. With respect to the amount set out on page 1 of the Contract, Customs duties are included and Applicable Taxes are included
- (ii) No increase in the total liability of Canada will be authorized or paid to the Contractor unless an increase has been approved, in writing, by the Contracting Authority.
- (iii) The Contractor must notify the Contracting Authority in writing as to the adequacy of this sum:
  - (A) when it is 75 percent committed, or
  - (B) 4 months before the contract expiry date, or
  - (C) As soon as the Contractor considers that the sum is inadequate for the completion of the Work required in all authorized TAs, inclusive of any revisions,

whichever comes first.

(i) If the notification is for inadequate contract funds, the Contractor must provide to the Contracting Authority a written estimate for the additional funds required. Providing this information does not increase Canada's liability.

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- (c) **Method of Payment for Task Authorizations with a Maximum Price**: For each Task Authorization validly issued under the Contract that contains a maximum price:
  - (i) Canada will pay the Contractor no more frequently than once a month in accordance with the Basis of Payment. The Contractor must submit time sheets for each resource showing the days and hours worked to support the charges claimed in the invoice.
  - (ii) Once Canada has paid the maximum TA price, Canada will not be required to make any further payment, but the Contractor must complete all the work described in the TA, all of which is required to be performed for the maximum TA price. If the work described in the TA is completed in less time than anticipated, and the actual time worked (as supported by the time sheets) at the rates set out in the Contract is less than the maximum TA price, Canada is only required to pay for the time spent performing the work related to that TA.

#### (d) Electronic Payment of Invoices - Contract

The Contractor accepts to be paid using any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

(i) Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);

#### (e) Time Verification

Time charged and the accuracy of the Contractor's time recording system are subject to verification by Canada, before or after payment is made to the Contractor. If verification is done after payment, the Contractor must repay any overpayment, at Canada's request.

# (f) Payment Credits

- (i) Failure to Provide Resource:
  - (A) If the Contractor does not provide a required professional services resource that has all the required qualifications within the time prescribed by the Contract, the Contractor must credit to Canada an amount equal to the per diem rate (based on a 7.5-hour workday) of the required resource for each day (or partial day) of delay in providing the resource, up to a maximum of 10 days.
  - (B) Corrective Measures: If credits are payable under this Article for two consecutive months or for three months in any 12-month period, the Contractor must submit a written action plan describing measures it will implement or actions it will undertake to eliminate the recurrence of the problem. The Contractor will have five working days to deliver the action plan to the Client and the Contracting Authority and 20 working days to rectify the underlying problem.
  - (C) **Termination for Failure to Meet Availability Level**: In addition to any other rights, it has under the Contract, Canada may terminate the Contract for default in accordance with the General Conditions by giving the Contractor three months' written notice of its intent, if any of the following apply:
    - (1) the total amount of credits for a given monthly billing cycle reach a level of 10% of the total billing for that month; or
    - (2) the corrective measures required of the Contractor described above are not met.

This termination will be effective when the three-month notice period expires, unless Canada determines that the Contractor has implemented the corrective measures to Canada's satisfaction during those three months.

(ii) Credits Apply during Entire Contract Period: The Parties agree that the credits apply throughout the Contract Period.

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- (iii) Credits represent Liquidated Damages: The Parties agree that the credits are liquidated damages and represent their best pre-estimate of the loss to Canada in the event of the applicable failure. No credit is intended to be, nor will it be construed as, a penalty.
- (iv) Canada's Right to Obtain Payment: The Parties agree that these credits are a liquidated debt. To collect the credits, Canada has the right to hold back, draw back, deduct, or set off from and against any money Canada owes to the Contractor from time to time.
- (v) Canada's Rights & Remedies not Limited: The Parties agree that nothing in this Article limits any other rights or remedies to which Canada is entitled under the Contract (including the right to terminate the Contract for default) or under the law generally.
- (vi) Audit Rights: The Contractor's calculation of credits under the Contract is subject to verification by government audit, at the Contracting Authority's discretion, before or after payment is made to the Contractor. The Contractor must cooperate fully with Canada during the conduct of any audit by providing Canada with access to any records and systems that Canada considers necessary to ensure that all credits have been accurately credited to Canada in the Contractor's invoices. If an audit demonstrates that past invoices contained errors in the calculation of the credits, the Contractor must pay to Canada the amount the audit reveals was required to be credited to Canada, plus interest, from the date Canada remitted the excess payment until the date of the refund (the interest rate is the Bank of Canada's discount annual rate of interest in effect on the date the credit was first owed to Canada, plus 1.25% per year). If, as a result of conducting an audit, Canada determines that the Contractor's records or systems for identifying, calculating, or recording the credits are inadequate, the Contractor must implement any additional measures required by the Contracting Authority.

# (g) No Responsibility to Pay for Work not performed due to Closure of Government Offices

- (i) Where the Contractor, its employees, subcontractors, or agents are providing services on government premises under the Contract and those premises are inaccessible because of the evacuation or closure of government offices, and as a result no work is performed, Canada is not responsible for paying the Contractor for work that otherwise would have been performed if there had been no evacuation or closure.
- (ii) If, as a result of any strike or lock-out, the Contractor or its employees, subcontractors or agents cannot obtain access to government premises and, as a result, no work is performed, Canada is not responsible for paying the Contractor for work that otherwise would have been performed if the Contractor had been able to gain access to the premises

#### 7.10 Invoicing Instructions

- (a) The Contractor must submit invoices in accordance with the information required in the General Conditions.
- (b) The Contractor's invoice must include a separate line item for each subparagraph in the Basis of Payment provision and must show all applicable Task Authorization numbers.
- (c) By submitting invoices, the Contractor is certifying that the goods and services have been delivered and that all charges are in accordance with the Basis of Payment provision of the Contract, including any charges for work performed by subcontractors.
- (d) The Contractor must provide electronic copies of each invoice to the Procurement Authority, and a copy to the Contracting Authority.

#### 7.11 Certifications and Additional Information

(a) Unless specified otherwise, the continuous compliance with the certifications provided by the Contractor in its bid or precedent to contract award, any TA quotation, and the ongoing cooperation

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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 Contract Period.

#### 7.12 Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Default by Contractor

The Contractor understands and agrees that, when an Agreement to Implement Employment Equity (AIEE) exists between the Contractor and Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC)-Labour, the AIEE must remain valid during the entire period of the Contract. If the AIEE becomes invalid, the name of the Contractor will be added to the "FCP Limited Eligibility to Bid" list. The imposition of such a sanction by ESDC will constitute the Contractor in default as per the terms of the Contract.

### 7.13 Applicable Laws

The Contract must be interpreted and governed, and the relations between the parties determined, by the laws in force in Ontario, Canada.

#### 7.14 Priority of Documents

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

- (a) these Articles of Agreement, including any individual SACC clauses incorporated by reference in these Articles of Agreement;
- (b) Supplemental General Conditions, in the following order:
  - (i) 4006 (2010-08-16), Supplemental General Conditions Contractor to Own Intellectual Property Rights in Foreground Information;
- (c) General Conditions <u>2035</u> (2022-12-01), Higher Complexity Services;
- (d) Annex A, Statement of Work, including its Appendices as follow:
  - (i) Appendix A to Annex A Tasking Assessment Procedure;
  - (ii) Appendix B to Annex A Task Authorization (TA) Form;
  - (iii) Appendix C to Annex A Resource Assessment Criteria and Response Table;
  - (iv) Appendix D to Annex A Certifications at the TA stage;
- (e) Annex B, Basis of Payment;
- (f) Annex C, Security Requirements Check List;
- (g) the validly issued Task Authorizations and any required certifications (including all of their annexes, if any); and

the Contractor's bid dated (To be determined at time of Contract award), as clarified on (To be determined at time of Contract award) "or" as amended (To be determined at time of Contract award)

#### 7.15 Defence Contract

(a) SACC Manual clause A9006C (2012-07-16) Defence Contract

### 7.16 Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

(a) SACC Manual clause <u>A2000C</u> (2006-06-16) Foreign Nationals (Canadian Contractor)

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**Note to Bidders:** Either this clause or the one that follows, whichever applies (based on whether the successful Bidder is a Canadian Contractor or Foreign Contractor), will be included in any resulting contract.

# 7.17 Foreign Nationals (Foreign Contractor)

(a) SACC Manual clause A2001C (2006-06-16) Foreign Nationals (Foreign Contractor)

#### 7.18 Insurance Requirements

#### (a) Compliance with Insurance Requirements

- (i) The Contractor must comply with the insurance requirements specified in this Article. The Contractor must maintain the required insurance coverage for the duration of the Contract. Compliance with the insurance requirements does not release the Contractor from or reduce its liability under the Contract.
- (ii) The Contractor is responsible for deciding if additional insurance coverage is necessary to fulfill its obligation under the Contract and to ensure compliance with any applicable law. Any additional insurance coverage is at the Contractor's expense, and for its own benefit and protection.
- (iii) The Contractor should forward to the Contracting Authority within ten (10) days after the date of award of the Contract a Certificate of Insurance evidencing the insurance coverage. Coverage must be placed with an Insurer licensed to carry out business in Canada and the Certificate of Insurance must confirm that the insurance policy complying with the requirements is in force. If the Certificate of Insurance has not been completed and submitted as requested, the Contracting Authority will so inform the Contractor and provide the Contractor with a time frame within which to meet the requirement. Failure to comply with the request of the Contracting Authority and meet the requirement within the time period will constitute a default under the General Conditions. The Contractor must, if requested by the Contracting Authority, forward to Canada a certified true copy of all applicable insurance policies.

#### (b) Commercial General Liability Insurance

- (i) The Contractor must obtain Commercial General Liability Insurance and maintain it in force throughout the duration of the Contract, in an amount usual for a contract of this nature, but for not less than \$2,000,000 per accident or occurrence and in the annual aggregate.
- (ii) The Commercial General Liability policy must include the following:
  - (A) Additional Insured: Canada is added as an additional insured, but only with respect to liability arising out of the Contractor's performance of the Contract. The interest of Canada should read as follows: Canada, as represented by Public Works and Government Services Canada.
  - (B) Bodily Injury and Property Damage to third parties arising out of the operations of the Contractor.
  - (C) Products and Completed Operations: Coverage for bodily injury or property damage arising out of goods or products manufactured, sold, handled, or distributed by the Contractor and/or arising out of operations that have been completed by the Contractor.
  - (D) Personal Injury: While not limited to, the coverage must include Violation of Privacy, Libel and Slander, False Arrest, Detention or Imprisonment and Defamation of Character.
  - (E) Cross Liability/Separation of Insureds: Without increasing the limit of liability, the policy must protect all insured parties to the full extent of coverage provided.

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Further, the policy must apply to each Insured in the same manner and to the same extent as if a separate policy had been issued to each.

- (F) Blanket Contractual Liability: The policy must, on a blanket basis or by specific reference to the Contract, extend to assumed liabilities with respect to contractual provisions.
- (G) Employees and, if applicable, Volunteers must be included as Additional Insured.
- (H) Employers' Liability (or confirmation that all employees are covered by Worker's compensation (WSIB) or similar program)
- (I) Broad Form Property Damage including Completed Operations: Expands the Property Damage coverage to include certain losses that would otherwise be excluded by the standard care, custody or control exclusion found in a standard policy.
- (J) Notice of Cancellation: The Insurer will endeavour to provide the Contracting Authority thirty (30) days written notice of policy cancellation.
- (K) If the policy is written on a claims-made basis, coverage must be in place for a period of at least 12 months after the completion or termination of the Contract.
- (L) Owners' or Contractors' Protective Liability: Covers the damages that the Contractor becomes legally obligated to pay arising out of the operations of a subcontractor.
- (M) Advertising Injury: While not limited to, the endorsement must include coverage for piracy or misappropriation of ideas, or infringement of copyright, trademark, title, or slogan.

#### (c) Errors and Omissions Liability Insurance

- (i) The Contractor must obtain Errors and Omissions Liability (a.k.a. Professional Liability) insurance and maintain it in force throughout the duration of the Contract, in an amount usual for a contract of this nature but for not less than \$1,000,000 per loss and in the annual aggregate, inclusive of defence costs.
- (ii) If the Professional Liability insurance is written on a claims-made basis, coverage must be in place for a period of at least 12 months after the completion or termination of the Contract.
- (iii) The following endorsement must be included:
  - Notice of Cancellation: The Insurer will endeavour to provide the Contracting Authority thirty (30) days written notice of cancellation.

# 7.19 Limitation of Liability - Information Management/Information Technology

- (a) This section applies despite any other provision of the Contract and replaces the section of the general conditions entitled "Liability". Any reference in this section to damages caused by the Contractor also includes damages caused by its employees, as well as its subcontractors, agents, and representatives, and any of their employees. This section applies regardless of whether the claim is based in contract, tort, or another cause of action. The Contractor is not liable to Canada with respect to the performance of or failure to perform the Contract, except as described in this section and in any section of the Contract pre-establishing any liquidated damages. The Contractor is only liable for indirect, special or consequential damages to the extent described in this Article, even if it has been made aware of the potential for those damages.
- (b) First Party Liability:

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- (i) The Contractor is fully liable for all damages to Canada, including indirect, special or consequential damages, caused by the Contractor's performance or failure to perform the Contract that relate to:
  - (A) any infringement of intellectual property rights to the extent the Contractor breaches the section of the General Conditions entitled "Intellectual Property Infringement and Royalties":
  - (B) physical injury, including death.
- (ii) The Contractor is liable for all direct damages caused by the Contractor's performance or failure to perform the Contract affecting real or tangible personal property owned, possessed, or occupied by Canada.
- (iii) Each of the Parties is liable for all direct damages resulting from its breach of confidentiality under the Contract. Each of the Parties is also liable for all indirect, special or consequential damages in respect of its unauthorized disclosure of the other Party's trade secrets (or trade secrets of a third party provided by one Party to another under the Contract) relating to information technology.
- (iv) The Contractor is liable for all direct damages relating to any encumbrance or claim relating to any portion of the Work for which Canada has made any payment. This does not apply to encumbrances or claims relating to intellectual property rights, which are addressed under (i)(A) above.
- (v) The Contractor is also liable for any other direct damages to Canada caused by the Contractor's performance or failure to perform the Contract that relate to:
  - (A) any breach of the warranty obligations under the Contract, up to the total amount paid by Canada (including any applicable taxes) for the goods and services affected by the breach of warranty; and
  - (B) Any other direct damages, including all identifiable direct costs to Canada associated with re-procuring the Work from another party if the Contract is terminated either in whole or in part for default, up to an aggregate maximum for this subparagraph (B) of the greater of .75 times the total estimated cost (meaning the dollar amount shown on the first page of the Contract in the cell titled "Total Estimated Cost" or shown on each call-up, purchase order or other document used to order goods or services under this instrument), or \$1,000,000.00.
    - In any case, the total liability of the Contractor under subparagraph (v) will not exceed the total estimated cost (as defined above) for the Contract or \$1,000,000.00, whichever is more.
- (vi) If Canada's records or data are harmed as a result of the Contractor's negligence or willful act, the Contractor's only liability is, at the Contractor's own expense, to restore Canada's records and data using the most recent back-up kept by Canada. Canada is responsible for maintaining an adequate back-up of its records and data.

# (c) Third Party Claims:

(i) Regardless of whether a third party makes its claim against Canada or the Contractor, each Party agrees that it is liable for any damages that it causes to any third party in connection with the Contract as set out in a settlement agreement or as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, where the court determines that the Parties are jointly and severally liable or that one Party is solely and directly liable to the third party. The amount of the liability will be the amount set out in the settlement agreement or determined by the court to have been the Party's portion of the damages to the third party. No settlement agreement is binding on a Party unless its authorized representative has approved the agreement in writing.

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- (ii) If Canada is required, as a result of joint and several liability or joint and solidarily liable, to pay a third party in respect of damages caused by the Contractor, the Contractor must reimburse Canada by the amount finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to be the Contractor's portion of the damages to the third party. However, despite Sub-article (i), with respect to special, indirect, and consequential damages of third parties covered by this Section, the Contractor is only liable for reimbursing Canada for the Contractor's portion of those damages that Canada is required by a court to pay to a third party as a result of joint and several liability that relate to the infringement of a third party's intellectual property rights; physical injury of a third party, including death; damages affecting a third party's real or tangible personal property; liens or encumbrances on any portion of the Work; or breach of confidentiality.
- (iii) The Parties are only liable to one another for damages to third parties to the extent described in this Sub-article (c).

### 7.20 Joint Venture Contractor

- (a) The Contractor confirms that the name of the joint venture is \_\_\_\_\_ and that it is comprised of the following members: [Bidders must list all the joint venture members named in the Contractor's original bid].
- (b) With respect to the relationship among the members of the joint venture Contractor, each member agrees, represents and warrants (as applicable) that:
  - (i) (If applicable, to be determined at contract award) has been appointed as the "representative member" of the joint venture Contractor and has fully authority to act as agent for each member regarding all matters relating to the Contract;
  - (ii) by giving notice to the representative member, Canada will be considered to have given notice to all the members of the joint venture Contractor; and
  - (iii) all payments made by Canada to the representative member will act as a release by all the members.
- (c) All the members agree that Canada may terminate the Contract in its discretion if there is a dispute among the members that, in Canada's opinion, affects the performance of the Work in any way.
- (d) All the members are jointly and severally or solidarily liable for the performance of the entire Contract.
- (e) The Contractor acknowledges that any change in the membership of the joint venture (i.e., a change in the number of members or the substitution of another legal entity for an existing member) constitutes an assignment and is subject to the assignment provisions of the General Conditions.

The Contractor acknowledges that all security and controlled goods requirements in the Contract, if any, apply to each member of the joint venture Contractor.

Note to Bidders: This Article will be deleted if the Bidder awarded the contract is not a joint venture. If the contractor is a joint venture, this clause will be completed with information provided in its bid.

### 7.21 Professional Services - General

- (a) The Contractor must provide professional services on request as specified in this Contract. All resources provided by the Contractor must meet the qualifications described in the Contract (including those relating to previous experience, professional designation, education, language proficiency and security clearance) and must be competent to provide the required services by any delivery dates described in the Contract.
- (b) If the Contractor fails to deliver any deliverable (excluding delivery of a specific individual) or complete any task described in the Contract on time, in addition to any other rights or remedies

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available to Canada under the Contract or the law, Canada may notify the Contractor of the deficiency, in which case the Contractor must submit a written plan to the Technical Authority within ten working days detailing the actions that the Contractor will undertake to remedy the deficiency. The Contractor must prepare and implement the plan at its own expense.

(c) In General Conditions 2035, the Article titled "Replacement of Specific Individuals" is deleted and the following applies instead:

## Replacement of Specific Individuals

- (i) If the Contractor is unable to provide the services of any specific individual identified in the Contract to perform the services, the Contractor must within five working days of having this knowledge, the individual's departure or failure to commence Work (or, if Canada has requested the replacement, within ten working days of Canada's notice of the requirement for a replacement) provide to the Contracting Authority:
  - (A) the name, qualifications, and experience of a proposed replacement immediately available for Work; and
  - (B) security information on the proposed replacement as specified by Canada, if applicable.

The replacement must have qualifications and experience that meet or exceed those obtained for the original resource.

- (ii) Subject to an Excusable Delay, where Canada becomes aware that a specific individual identified under the Contract to provide services has not been provided or is not performing, the Contracting Authority may elect to:
  - (A) exercise Canada's rights or remedies under the Contract or at law, including terminating the Contract in whole or in part for default under the Article titled "Default of the Contractor", or
  - (B) assess the information provided under (c) (i) above or, if it has not yet been provided, require the Contractor to propose a replacement to be rated by the Technical Authority. The replacement must have qualifications and experience that are similar or exceed those obtained for the original resource and be acceptable to Canada. Upon assessment of the replacement, Canada may accept the replacement, exercise the rights in (ii) (A) above, or require another replacement in accordance with this sub-article (c).

Where an Excusable Delay applies, Canada may require (c) (ii) (B) above instead of terminating under the "Excusable Delay" Article. An Excusable Delay does not include resource unavailability due to allocation of the resource to another Contract or project (including those for the Crown) being performed by the Contractor or any of its affiliates.

- (iii) The Contractor must not, in any event, allow performance of the Work by unauthorized replacement persons. The Contracting Authority may order that an original or replacement resource stop performing the Work. In such a case, the Contractor must immediately comply with the order. The fact that the Contracting Authority does not order a resource to stop performing the Work does not relieve the Contractor from its responsibility to meet the requirements of the Contract.
- (iv) The obligations in this article apply despite any changes that Canada may have made to the Client's operating environment.

## 7.22 Safeguarding Electronic Media

(a) Before using them on Canada's equipment or sending them to Canada, the Contractor must use a regularly updated product to scan electronically all electronic media used to perform the Work for computer viruses and other coding intended to cause malfunctions. The Contractor must notify

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Canada if any electronic media used for the Work are found to contain computer viruses or other coding intended to cause malfunctions.

(b) If magnetically recorded information or documentation is damaged or lost while in the Contractor's care or at any time before it is delivered to Canada in accordance with the Contract, including accidental erasure, the Contractor must immediately replace it at its own expense.

## 7.23 Representations and Warranties

The Contractor made statements regarding its own and its proposed resources' experience and expertise in its bid that resulted in the award of the Contract and the issuance of TA's. The Contractor represents and warrants that all those statements are true and acknowledges that Canada relied on those statements in awarding the Contract and adding work to it through TA's. The Contractor also represents and warrants that it has, and all its resources and subcontractors that perform the Work have, and at all times during the Contract Period they will have and maintain, the skills, qualifications, expertise and experience necessary to perform and manage the Work in accordance with the Contract, and that the Contractor (and any resources or subcontractors it uses) has previously performed similar services for other customers.

## 7.24 Access to Canada's Property and Facilities

Canada's property, facilities, equipment, documentation, and personnel are not automatically available to the Contractor. If the Contractor would like access to any of these, it is responsible for making a request to the Technical Authority. Unless expressly stated in the Contract, Canada has no obligation to provide any of these to the Contractor. If Canada chooses, in its discretion, to make its property, facilities, equipment, documentation or personnel available to the Contractor to perform the Work, Canada may require an adjustment to the Basis of Payment and additional security requirements may apply.

### 7.25 Transition Services at End of Contract Period

The Contractor acknowledges that the nature of the services provided under the Contract requires continuity and that a transition period may be required at the end of the Contract. The Contractor agrees that Canada may, at its discretion, extend the Contract by a period of two months under the same conditions to ensure the required transition. The Contractor agrees that, during the extended period of the Contract, it will be paid in accordance with the applicable provisions as set out in the Basis of Payment.

The Contracting Authority will advise the Contractor of the extension by sending a written notice to the Contractor at least 20 calendar days before the contract expiry date. The extension will be evidenced for administrative purposes only, through a contract amendment.

## 7.26 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>".

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## 7.27 Identification Protocol Responsibilities

The Contractor will be responsible for ensuring that each of its agents, representatives, or subcontractors (hereinafter referred to as Contractor Representatives) complies with the following self-identification requirements:

- (e) Contractor Representatives who attend a Government of Canada meeting (whether internal or external to Canada's offices) must identify themselves as Contractor Representatives prior to the commencement of the meeting, to ensure that each meeting participant is aware of the fact that the individual is not an employee of the Government of Canada;
- (f) During the performance of any Work at a Government of Canada site, each Contractor Representative must be clearly identified at all times as being a Contractor Representative; and
- (g) If a Contractor Representative requires the use of the Government of Canada's e-mail system in the performance of the Work, then the individual must clearly identify him or herself as an agent or subcontractor of the Contractor in all electronic mail in the signature block as well as under "Properties." This identification protocol must also be used in all other correspondence, communication, and documentation.
- (h) If Canada determines that the Contractor is in breach of any obligation stated in this Article, upon written notice from Canada the Contractor must submit a written action plan describing corrective measures it will implement to eliminate the recurrence of the problem. The Contractor will have five (5) working days to deliver the action plan to the Client and the Contracting Authority, and twenty (20) working days to rectify the underlying problem.
- (i) In addition to any other rights, it has under the Contract, Canada may terminate the Contract for default if the corrective measures required of the Contractor described above are not met.

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## ANNEX A STATEMENT OF WORK

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE (DND)**



Statement of Work (SOW)

2023
Professional Services for DND/CAF IT Security Program
Delivery
For
Directorate of Information Management Security

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## 1 Introduction

- 1.1 The Department of National Defence (DND) and Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) have a requirement for Information Technology (IT) Security Consulting Services under <a href="Task-Based-Informatics">Task-Based-Informatics</a>
  <a href="Professional Services Standing Offer and Supply Arrangement (TBIPS)">TBIPS</a>) on an as and when required <a href="basis">basis</a>. Work will be initiated using a Task Authorization process.
- 1.2 The Directorate of Information Management Security (DIM Secur) as the DND/CAF Information Technology (IT) Security Authority and Security Coordinator oversees the departmental IT Security Program. The requirement for this statement work arises from the need for temporary expertise to modernize the departmental IT security program and provide surge capacity in various areas related to IT security services delivery, such as security assessment of systems and projects, and risk management.

## 2 Scope

The Contractor must provide qualified resources and perform tasks related to IT Security as described issued by the Technical Authority (TA) as Task Authorizations under the arrangement.

## 3 RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

The table below indicates the expected number of resources required at each security level for the Cyber Protection Services stream as per <a href="Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) TBIPS - streams and categories">Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC) TBIPS - streams and categories</a>

It is expected that the team, as defined below, will initially provide the required services. Departmental initiatives and new legislative requirements may require additional resources while changes to departmental requirements or priorities may require a reduction in the number of resources. In either case, resources will only perform work under the contract resulting from this SOW as and when requested by a Task Authorization.

	Category	Security Requirement	Leve I	Estimated No. of Resources	SOW Reference (Tasks & Deliverables)	PSPC Streams
1	C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Secret	3	2	5.1	Stream 6
2	C.3 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst	Secret	3	2	5.2	Stream 6
3	C.6 Information Technology Security Engineer	Secret	3	4	5.3	Stream 6
4	C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Secret	3	2	5.4	Stream 6

## 4 GOVERNMENT furnished information and equipment.

DND will provide terminals and appropriate systems and information resources access to perform necessary functions, as well as workspace in which to conduct some specific tasks that must be carried out within DND facilities.

## 5. TASKS And Deliverables

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## 5.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant

Reporting directly to the TA, the Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant Level 3 is responsible for performing work assignments in accordance with applicable Task Authorizations including the following:

- 5.1.1 Review/analyze documents and ensure conformity with Federal Government and DND Information Technology (IT) Security Policies, Procedures, Methodologies, Standards and Directives;
- 5.1.2 Develop Strategy documents and programs' implementation plans pursuant to DND/CAF IT Security, Information Security, Data Security, COMSEC, EMSEC, IT Supply Chain Integrity, Industrial Information Security and Compliance functional areas;
- 5.1.3 Support the implementation IT Security programmes and associated efforts coordination;
- 5.1.4 Brief senior managers and executives;
- 5.1.5 Provide advice and recommendations on various IT security related topics including Cloud security, mobility security, data security, IT Security architecture standards and practices, and security of emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence, 5G, blockchain, space-based IT, etc.
- 5.1.6 Lead meetings with stakeholders and prepare associated material such as presentations, reports, agendas, and minutes.

## 5.2 IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst

Reporting directly to the TA, the IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst Level 3 is responsible for managing work assignments in accordance with applicable Task Authorizations including the following:

- 5.2.1 Review/analyze various material to ensure conformity with GC and Departmental level IT Security policies such as the Security Assessment & Authorization (SA&A) process, as well as applicable IT Security best practices;
- 5.2.2 Analyze and/or produce security related material such as:
  - 5.2.2.1 Data/information security analysis;
  - 5.2.2.2 Information Systems Concepts of operation (CONOPS);
  - 5.2.2.3 Statements of Sensitivity (SoS) or categorization report;
  - 5.2.2.4 Threat Assessments (TA)
  - 5.2.2.5 Privacy Impact Assessments (PIAs);
  - 5.2.2.6 Vulnerability Assessment (VA);
  - 5.2.2.7 Authority to Operate letters;
  - 5.2.2.8 Risk assessments; and
  - 5.2.2.9 IT Security related briefings on system's threats, vulnerabilities, safeguards and/or risk.

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## 5.2.3 Perform SA&A related duties such as:

- 5.2.3.1 Develop tailored security control profile specific to a system IAW recognized IT Security risk management frameworks such as but not limited to ITSG-33, NIST 800-53, CCNSS, CNSSI 1253;
- 5.2.3.2 Perform Assessment of security artefacts to validate security safeguards have been implemented correctly and those assurance requirements have been met, and their level of maturity.
- 5.2.3.3 Assessment of residual risk of IT systems;
- 5.2.3.4 Report assessment of residual risk to senior management and executive; and
- 5.2.4 Develop and provide training material package relevant to SA&A.

## 5.3 Information Technology Security Engineer

- 5.3.1.1 Reporting directly to the TA, the Information Technology Security Engineer Level 3 is responsible for managing work assignments in accordance with applicable Task Authorizations including the following:
- 5.3.1.2 Identify the technical threats vectors to, and vulnerabilities of, networks, cloud, applications, and other information systems' architectures, and their alignment with applicable departmental reference architectures and standards, as well as from external organizations such as CSE (ITSGs) and NIST.
- 5.3.1.3 Define, review and/or assess Information System Security configurations;
- 5.3.1.4 Analyze IT Security control architectures for various type of Information Systems, and provide advice on applicable tools and techniques to integrate within system designs, such as security policy enforcement technologies, zoning configurations, access controls, and detection/prevention security solutions;
- 5.3.1.5 Prepare technical reports such as IT Security Solutions option analysis and implementation plans;

## 5.4 Incident Management Specialist

Reporting directly to the TA, the Incident Management Specialist Level 3 is responsible for managing work assignments in accordance with applicable Task Authorizations including the following:

- 5.4.1 Review incident reports, incident handling procedures and response plans in order to document After-Action Reports, Lessons Learned, and associated improvement recommendations;
- 5.4.2 Analyze public domain information related to networked computer threats, vulnerabilities, security incidents and safeguards, and produce associated awareness products for incident handlers and IT security professionals;
- 5.4.3 Participate in, and/or coordinate cyber security incident response activities in close collaboration with multiple departmental stakeholders;

## **6** APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

- 1. Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS), Policy on Government Security (PGS)
- 2. Treasury Board policies, directives, and standards relevant to PGS

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- 3. DND/CAF, National Defence Security Orders and Directives Chapter 1
- 4. DND/CAF, National Defence Security Orders and Directives Chapter and Standards 6
- 5. DND/CAF, National Defence Security Orders and Directives Chapter 7
- 6. DND/CAF, IM and IT DAOD, Standards and Guides
- 7. Communications Security Establishment Canada (CSEC), ITSG-33 Guide to Managing Security Risks
- 8. CSEC, Harmonized Threat and Risk Assessment (HTRA) Methodology
- 9. CSEC, Publications and Directives

## 7 Reporting Requirements

The Contractor must provide periodic updates on project progress, prepare formal Project Status Reports, work breakdown structures, schedules, and other related documents as specified in the applicable Task Authorization. Deliverables will be delivered to the Technical Authority electronically.

## 8 Technical Authority

Position:	
Name	
Organization:	
Phone:	

## 9 Location of Work

The work will be performed within the National Capital Region (NCR), primarily on site at the DND premises at the new NDHQ at the Carling Campus. Travel outside of the NCR will not be required. Travel within the NCR may be required and will not be reimbursed.

## 10 Language of Work

Unless otherwise indicated in this SOW, and unless specified in the individual tasking to the Contractor, the Work must be carried out in English, and the deliverables must be produced in English. The resource must be fluent in the English language. Fluent means that the individual must be able to communicate orally and in writing without any assistance and with minimal errors.

## 11 Security Clearance

The contractor Must hold a security clearance at a minimum level of Secret.

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# APPENDIX A TO ANNEX A TASKING ASSESSMENT PROCEDURE

- 1. Where a requirement for a specific task is identified, a draft Task Authorization Form (TA Form) as attached at Appendix B to Annex A will be provided to the Contractor [in accordance with the allocation methodology stated in the Contract Article titled "Allocation of Task Authorizations".] Once a draft TA Form is received, the Contractor must submit to the Technical Authority a quotation of rates to supply the requested Resource Categories based on the information identified in the TA Form, as well as its corresponding proposed resource(s). The quotation must be signed and submitted to Canada within the time for response identified in the TA Form. The Contractor will be given a minimum of two (2) working days (or any longer time period specified in the draft TA) turnaround time to submit a quotation.
- With each quotation the Contractor must propose the required number of resources and for each proposed resource the Contractor must supply a résumé, the requested security clearance information and must complete the Response Tables at Appendix C of Annex A applicable to the Resource Categories identified in the draft TA. The same individual must not be proposed for more than one Resource Category. The résumés must demonstrate that each proposed individual meets the qualification requirements described (including any educational requirements, work experience requirements, and professional designation or membership requirements). With respect to the proposed resources:
  - (i) Proposed resources may be employees of the Contractor or employees of a subcontractor, or these individuals may be independent contractors to whom the Contractor would subcontract a portion of the Work. (Refer to Appendix D to Annex A, Certifications).
  - (ii) For educational requirements for a particular degree, designation or certificate, Canada will only consider educational programmes that were successfully completed by the resource before the date the draft TA was first issued to the Contractor.
  - (iii) For requirements relating to professional designation or membership, the resource must have the required designation or membership by the time of draft TA issuance and must continue, where applicable, to be a member in good standing of the profession or membership throughout the assessment period and Contract Period. Where the designation or membership must be demonstrated through a certification, diploma or degree, such document must be current, valid and issued by the entity specified in this Contract or if the entity is not specified, the issuer must have been an accredited or otherwise recognized body, institution or entity at the time the document was issued.
  - (iv) For work experience, Canada will not consider experience gained as part of an educational programme, except for experience gained through a formal co-operative programme at a post-secondary institution.
  - (v) For any requirements that specify a particular time period (e.g., 2 years) of work experience, Canada will disregard any information about experience if the résumé does not include the relevant dates (month and year) for the experience claimed (i.e., the start date and end date). Canada will evaluate only the duration that the resource actually worked on a project or projects (from his or her start date to end date), instead of the overall start and end date of a project or a combination of projects in which a resource has participated.
  - (vi) A résumé must not simply indicate the title of the individual's position but must demonstrate that the resource has the required work experience by explaining the responsibilities and work performed by the individual while in that position. Only listing experience without providing any supporting data to describe responsibilities, duties, and relevance to the requirement, or reusing the same wording as the TA Form, will not be considered "demonstrated" for the purposes of the assessment. The Contractor should provide complete details as to where, when, month and year, and how, through which activities/responsibilities, the stated qualifications / experience were obtained. In

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situations in which a proposed resource worked at the same time on more than one project, the duration of any overlapping time period will be counted only once toward any requirements that relate to the individual's length of experience.

- 3. The qualifications and experience of the proposed resources will be assessed against the requirements set out in Appendix C to Annex A to determine each proposed resource's compliance with the mandatory and rated criteria. Canada may request proof of successful completion of formal training, as well as reference information. Canada may conduct reference checks to verify the accuracy of the information provided. If reference checks are done, they will be conducted in writing by e-mail (unless the contact at the reference is only available by telephone). Canada will not assess any points or consider a mandatory criterion met unless the response is received within 5 working days. On the third working day after sending out the emails, if Canada has not received a response, Canada will notify the Contractor by e-mail, to allow the Contractor to contact its reference directly to ensure that it responds to Canada within 5 working days. Wherever information provided by a reference differs from the information supplied by the Contractor, the information supplied by the reference will be the information assessed. Points will not be allocated, or a mandatory criterion considered as met if the reference customer is not a customer of the Contractor itself (for example, the customer cannot be the customer of an affiliate of the Contractor). Nor will points be allocated or a mandatory criterion considered as met if the customer is itself an affiliate or other entity that does not deal at arm's length with the Contractor. Crown references will be accepted.
- 4. During the assessment of the resources proposed, should the references for two or more resources required under that TA either be unavailable or fail to substantiate the required qualifications of the proposed resources to perform the required services, the Contractor's quotation may be found to be non-responsive.
- Only quotations that meet all of the mandatory criteria will be considered for assessment of the point rated criteria. Each resource proposed must attain the required minimum score for the point rated criteria for the applicable Resource Category. If the minimum score for any proposed resource is less than what is required, the Contractor's quotation will be found to be non-responsive.
- 6. Once the quotation has been accepted by the Technical Authority, the TA Form will be signed by Canada and provided to the Contractor for signature. The TA Form must be appropriately signed by Canada prior to commencement of any work. The Contractor must not commence work until a validly issued TA Form (the Task Authorization) has been received, and any work performed in its absence is done at the Contractor's own risk.

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# APPENDIX B TO ANNEX A TASK AUTHORIZATION FORM

All invoices	s/progress claims must sho	ow the referenced Contract and Task n	umbers.	Contract no No du cont	rat
Toutes les factures doivent indiquer les numéros du contrat et de la tâche.					
				Task no No de la tâche	
Amendment no	No de la modification	Increase/Decrease - Augmentation/	/Réduction	Previous value - Valeur p	récédente
To - À		TO THE CONTRACTOR		<u>'</u>	
Delivery location -	Expédiez à	You are requested to supply the following services in accordance with the terms of the above referenced Contract. Only services included in the Contract can be supplied against this task.  Please advise the undersigned if the completion date cannot be met. Invoices/progress claims shall be prepared in accordance with the instructions set out in the contract.  À L'ENTREPRENEUR  Vous êtes prié de fournir les services suivants en conformité des termes du contrat mentionné ci-dessus. Seuls les services mentionnés dans le contrat doivent être fournis à l'appui de cette demande.  Prière d'aviser le signataire si la livraison ne peut se faire dans les délais prescrits. Les factures doivent			
D-1:/01-t	d-t- D-t- d-	être établies selon les instructions é	énoncées dans le	contrat.	
Delivery/Completion livraison/d'achèvel					
From - De :		Date for t	the Department o	of National Defence	
To - À :	T		pour le ministère	de la Défence nationale	
Contract item no.					Cost
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contrat					
TECHNICAL AUTHORITY:				Applicable Taxes	
				Taxes applicables	
				Total	
		TY:			
	Name (type or print		Title (type o	r print)	
	Signature		Date		
THE CONTRACTOR F		EREBY ACCEPTS THE TASK AUTHO	RIZATION IDEN	ITIFIED ABOVE :	
	Name (type or print	)	Title (type o	r print)	
	Signature		Date		
APPLICABLE ONLY TO PWGSC CONTRACTS: The Contracting Authority signature is required when the total value of the DND 626 exceeds the threshold specified in the Contract.					
	NE S'APPLIQUE QU'AUX CONTRATS DE TPSGC : La signature de l'autorité contractante est requise lorsque la valeur totale du formulaire DND 626 est supérieure au seuil précisé dans le contrat.				
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### Instructions for completing **DND 626 - Task Authorization**

Contract no.
Enter the PWGSC contract number in full.

### Task no.

Enter the sequential Task number.

### Amendment no.

Enter the amendment number when the original Task is amended to change the scope or the value

Increase/Decrease
Enter the increase or decrease total dollar amount including taxes.

Enter the previous total dollar amount including taxes.

Name of the contractor.

### **Delivery location**

Location where the work will be completed, if other than the contractor's location.

Delivery/Completion date Completion date for the task

### for the Department of National Defence

Signature of the DND person who has delegated **Authority** for signing DND 626 (level of authority based on the dollar value of the task and the equivalent signing authority in the PAM 1.4). **Note:** the person signing in equivalent signing authority in the PAWL-14, Note, the person signing in this block ensures that the work is within the scope of the contract, that sufficient funds remain in the contract to cover this task and that the task is affordable within the Project/Unit budget.

Services
Define the requirement briefly (attach the SOW) and identify the cost of the task using the contractor's quote on the level of effort. The Task must use the basis of payment stipulated in the contract. If there are several basis of asymmetat these list here the one(s) that will apply to the task quote (e.g. payment then list here the one(s) that will apply to the task quote (e.g. milestone payments; per diem rates/labour category hourly rates; travel and living rates; firm price/ceiling price, etc.). All the terms and conditions of the contract apply to this Task Authorization and cannot be ignored or amended for this task. Therefore it is not necessary to restate these general contract terms and conditions on the DND 626 Task form.

Cost The cost of the Task broken out into the individual costed items in **Services**.

GST/HST
The GST/HST cost as appropriate.

Total
The total cost of the task. The contractor may not exceed this amount without the approval of DND indicated on an amended DND 626. The amendment value may not exceed 50% (or the percentage for amendments established in the contract) of the original value of the task authorization. The total cost of a DND 626, including all amendments, may not exceed the funding limit identified in the contract.

## Applicable only to PWGSC contracts

Applicable only to PWGSC contracts
This block only applies to those Task Authorization contracts awarded by
PWGSC. The contract will include a specified threshold for DND sole
approval of the DND 626 and a percentage for DND to approve
amendments to the original DND 626. Tasks that will exceed these
thresholds must be passed to the PWGSC Contracting Authority for review
and signature prior to authorizing the contractor to begin work.

Work on the task may not commence prior to the date this form is signed by the DA Authority - for tasks within the DND threshold; and by both DND and PWGSC for those tasks over the DND threshold.

### Instructions pour compléter le formulaire DND 626 - Autorisation des tâches

Nº du contrat Inscrivez le numéro du contrat de TPSGC en entier

### Nº de la tâche

Inscrivez le numéro de tâche séquentiel.

### Nº de la modification

Inscrivez le numéro de modification lorsque la tâche originale est modifiée pour en changer la portée

Augmentation/Réduction Inscrivez le montant total de l'augmentation ou de la diminution, y compris les taxes.

Valeur précédente Inscrivez le montant total précédent, y compris les taxes.

Nom de l'entrepreneur.

### Expédiez à

Endroit où le travail sera effectué, si celui-ci diffère du lieu d'affaires de l'entrepreneur.

## Date de livraison/d'achèvement Date d'achèvement de la tâche.

### pour le ministère de la Défense nationale

pour le ministere de la Derense nationale Signature du représentant du MDN auquel on a délégué le pouvoir d'approbation en ce qui a trait à la signature du formulaire DND 626 (niveau d'autorité basé sur la valeur de la tâche et le signataire autorisé équivalent mentionné dans le MAA 1.4). Nota : la personne qui signe cette attache de signature confirme que les travaux respectent la portée du contrat, que suffisamment de fonds sont prévus au contrat pour couvrir cette tâche a que le huicet alloué à l'unité ou pour le projet le promet. cette tâche et que le budget alloué à l'unité ou pour le projet le permet

Définissez brièvement le besoin (joignez l'ET) et établissez le coût de la tâche à l'aide de la soumission de l'entrepreneur selon le niveau de difficulté de celle-ci. Les modalités de paiement stipulées dans le contrat s'appliquent de celle-ci. Les modalités de palement stipulées dans le contrat s'appliquent à la tâche. Si plusieurs d'entre elles sont prévues, énumérez ci celle/celles qui s'appliquera/ront à la soumission pour la tâche à accomplir (p.ex. acompte fondé sur les étaples franchies; taux quotidien ou taux horaire établi selon la catégorie de main-d'oeuvre; frais de déplacement et de séjour; prix fixe ou prix plafond; etc.). Toutes les modalités du contrat s'appliquent à cette autorisation de tâche et ne peuvent être négligées ou modifiées quant à la tâche en question. Il n'est donc pas nécessaire de répéter ces modalités générales afférentes au contrat sur le formulaire DND 626

Mentionnez le coût de la tâche en le répartissant selon les frais afférents à chaque item mentionné dans la rubrique **Services**.

Mentionnez le montant de la TPS/TVH, s'il y lieu.

Iotal Mentionnez le coût total de la tâche. L'entrepreneur ne peut dépasser ce montant sans l'approbation du MDN, formulaire DND 626 modifié à l'appui. Le coût de la modification ne peut pas être supérieur à 50 p. 100 du montant initial prévu dans l'autorisation de tâche (ou au pourcentage prévu dans le contrat pour les modifications). Le coût total spécifié dans le formulaire DND 626, y compris toutes les modifications, ne peut dépasser le plafond de financement mentionné dans le contrat.

### Ne s'applique qu'aux contrats de TPSGC

Ne s'applique qu'aux contrats de l'PSGC Le présent paragraphe s'applique uniquement aux autorisations de tâche accordées par TPSGC. On inscrira dans le formulaire DND 626 un plafond précis qui ne pourra être approuvé que par le MDN et un pourcentage selon lequel le MDN pourra approuver des modifications au formulaire DND 626 original. Les tâches dont le coût dépasse ces plafonds doivent être soumises à l'autorité contractante de TPSGC pour examen et signature avant qu'on autorise l'entrepreneur à débuter les travaux.

Nota: Les travaux ne peuvent commencer avant la date de signature de ce formulaire par le responsable du MDN, pour les tâches dont le coût est inférieur au plafond établi par le MDN, et par le MDN et TPSGC pour les tâches dont le coût dépasse le plafond établi par le MDN.

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# APPENDIX C TO ANNEX A RESOURCES ASSESSMENT CRITERIA AND RESPONSE TABLE

To facilitate resource assessment, Contractors must prepare and submit a response to a draft Task Authorization using the tables provided in this Annex. When completing the resource grids, the specific information which demonstrates the requested criteria and reference to the page number of the résumé should be incorporated so that Canada can verify this information. The tables should not contain all the project information from the resume. Only the specific answer should be provided.

- 1.0 Mandatory Resource Assessment Criteria:
- 2.0 Point Rated Resource Assessment Criteria:

Note to Bidders: Form 2 – Bid Evaluation Criteria (With the Mandatory and the Point Rated Criteria) will be inserted and will form part of the resulting contract.

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# APPENDIX D TO ANNEX A CERTIFICATIONS AT THE TA STAGE

The following Certifications are to be used, as applicable. If they apply, they must be signed and attached to the Contractor's quotation when it is submitted to Canada.

1. CERTIFICATION OF EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE The Contractor certifies that all the information provided in the résumés and supporting material proposed for completing the subject work, particularly the information pertaining to education, achievements, experience, and work history, has been verified by the Contractor to be true and accurate. Furthermore, the Contractor warrants that every individual proposed by the Contractor for the requirement is capable of performing the Work described in the Task Authorization. Print name of authorized individual & sign above Date 2. CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF PERSONNEL The Contractor certifies that, should it be authorized to provide services under this Task Authorization, the persons proposed in the quotation will be available to commence performance of the work within a reasonable time from the date of issuance of the valid Task Authorization, or within the time specified in the TA Form, and will remain available to perform the work in relation to the fulfillment of the requirement. Print name of authorized individual & sign above Date 3. CERTIFICATION OF STATUS OF PERSONNEL If the Contractor has proposed any individual who is not an employee of the Contractor, the Contractor certifies that it has permission from that individual to propose his/her services in relation to the Work to be performed under this TA and to submit his/her résumé to Canada. At any time during the Contract Period the Contractor must, upon request from the Contracting Authority, provide the written confirmation, signed by the individual, of the permission that was given to the Contractor of his/her availability. Failure to comply with the request may result in a default under the Contract in accordance with the General Conditions. Print name of authorized individual & sign above Date 4. **CERTIFICATION OF LANGUAGE -**The Contractor certifies that the proposed resource(s) in response to this draft Task Authorization is/are fluent in English. The individual(s) proposed must be able to communicate orally and in writing in English without any assistance and with minimal errors. Print name of authorized individual & sign above Date

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# ANNEX B BASIS OF PAYMENT

## **INITIAL CONTRACT PERIOD:**

Initial Contract Period – Year 1		
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Firm Per Diem Rate
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	
C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	

Initial Contract Period – Year 2		
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Firm Per Diem Rate
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	
C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	

## **OPTION PERIODS:**

Option Period 1 – Year 3		
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Firm Per Diem Rate
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	
C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	

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# ANNEX C SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST

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SECURITY REQUIREMENTS CHECK LIST (SRCL) LISTE DE VÉRIFICATION DES EXIGENCES RELATIVES À LA SÉCURITÉ (LVERS) PART A - CONTRACT INFORMATION / PARTIE A - INFORMATION CONTRACTUELLE Originating Government Department or Organization / Ministère ou organisme gouvernemental d'orgine Branch or Directorate / Direction génerale ou Direction **DMSecur** 3. a) Subcontract Number / Numéro du contrat de sous-traitance 3. b) Name and Address of Subcontractor / Nom et adresse du sous-traitant 4. Brief Description of Work / Brève description du travail DND has a requirement by information security subject matters experts to assess security controls, develop pulldes and implementation of the departmental information security 5. a) Will the supplier require access to Controlled Goods? No Yes V Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des marchandises contrôlées? Non Oul 5. b) Will the supplier require access to unclassified military technical data subject to the provisions of the Technical Data Control No Yes Regulations? Non Oui Le lournisseur aura-t-il accès à des données lechniques militaires non classifiées qui sont assujetties aux dispositions du Règlement sur le contrôle des données techniques? Indicate the type of access required / Indiquer le type d'accès requis a) Will the supplier and its employees require access to PROTECTED and/or CLASSIFIED information or assets? V Le fournisseur ainsi que les employes auront-ils accès à des renseignements ou à des biens PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS? Non Oui (Specify the level of access using the chart in Question 7. c) (Préciser le niveau d'accès en utilisant le tableau qui se trouve à la question 7, c 0. b) Will the supplier and its employees (e.g. cleaners, maintenance personnel) require access to restricted access areas? No access to No PROTECTED and/or C\_ASSIFIED information or assets is permitted. Oui Non Le fournisseur et ses employés (o. ex. nettoyeurs, personnel d'entretien) auront-ils accès à des zones d'accès restreintes? L'accès à des renseignements ou à des biens PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASS FIÉS n'est pas autorisé. 6. c) Is this a commercial courier or delivery requirement with no overnight storage? No Yes ~ S'agit-il d'un contrat de messagerie ou de livraison commerciale sans entreposage de nuit? 7. a) Indicate the type of information that the supplier will be required to access Indiquer le type d'information auquel le fournisseur devra avoir accès NATO / OTAN Foreign / Étranger 7. b) Release restrictions / Restrictions relatives à la diffusion Al NATO countries No release restrictions No release restrictions V Tous les pays de l'OTAN Augune restriction relative Aucune restriction relative à la diffusion à la diffusion Not releasable À no pas diffusor Restricted to: / Limité à Restricted to: /Limité à : Restricted to:/Limité à: Specify country(les): / Precser le(s) pays : Specify country(les): Preciser le(s) pays : Specify country(ies): / Preciser le(s) pays: /. c) Level of information / Niveau d'information NATO UNCLASSIFIED PROTECTED A PROTECTED A V PROTÉGÉ A NATO NON CLASSIFIÉ PROTÉGÉA PROTECTEDB PROTECTED B NATO RESTRICTED 1 PROTÉGÉ B NATO DIFFUSION RESTREINTE PROTÉGÉB PROTECTED C **NATO CONFIDENTIAL** PROTECTED C PROTÉGÉ C NATO CONFIDENTIEL PROTÉGÉC CONFIDENTIAL NATO SECRET CONFIDENTIAL . CONFIDENTIEL NATO SECRET CONFIDENTIEL COSMIC TOP SECRET SECRET SECRET v SECRET COSMIC TRES SECRET SECRET TOP SECRET TOPSECRET TRÈS SECRET TRÈS SECRET TOP SECRET (SIGINT) TOP SECRET (SIGINT) TRÈS SECRET (SIGINT) TRÈS SECRET (SIGINT)

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PART A (continued)   PARTIE A (suite)  8. Will the supplier require access to PROTECTED ar		No Yes				
Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des renseignement If Yes, indicate the level of sensitivity:	Le fournisseur aura-t-il accès à des renseignements ou à des biens COMSEC désignés PROTÉGÉS et/ou CLASSIFIÉS?					
Dans l'affirmative, indiquer le niveau de sensibilité						
9. Will the supplier require access to extremely sensit		No Yes Non Oui				
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PART B - PERSONNEL (SUPPLIER) / PARTIE B - P						
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Du personnel sans autorisation sécuritaire peut	-il se voir confier des parties du travail?	Non Oul				
If Yes, will unscreened personnel be escorted?  Dans l'afirmative, le personnel en question ser	a-il perorté?	No Yes				
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11. b) Will the supplier be required to safeguard COM	SEC information or assets?	□ No □Yes				
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	11. e) Will there be an electronic link between the supplier's IT systems and the government department oragency?  Disposera-t-on d'un lien électronique entre le système informatique du fournisseur et celui du ministère ou de l'agence  No Ul					
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<ol> <li>Are there additional instructions Des instructions supplémentaire</li> </ol>				sont-elles jointe	s?	No Yes Non Oui	
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## FORM 1 -BID SUBMISSION FORM

BID SUBMISSION FORM					
Bidder's full legal name					
Authorized Representative of Bidder for	Name				
evaluation purposes (e.g., clarifications)	Title				
	Address				
	Telephone #				
	Fax#				
	Email				
Bidder's Procurement Business Number (PBN)	<u> </u>				
[see the Standard Instructions 2003]					
[Note to Bidders: Please ensure that the PBN you provide matches the legal name under which you have submitted your bid. If it does not, the Bidder will be determined based on the legal name provided, not based on the PBN, and the Bidder will be required to submit the PBN that matches the legal name of the Bidder.]					
Jurisdiction of Contract: Province or territory in Canada the Bidder wishes to be the legal jurisdiction applicable to any resulting contract (if other than as specified in solicitation)					
Former Public Servants	Is the Bidder a FPS in receipt of a pension as defined in the bid solicitation?				
See the Article in Part 2 of the bid solicitation entitled Former Public Servant for a definition of "Former	Yes No				
Public Servant".	If yes, provide the information required by the				
	Article in Part 2 entitled "Former Public Servant"				
	Is the Bidder a FPS who received a lump sum payment under the terms of the Work Force Adjustment Directive?				
	Yes No				
	If yes, provide the information required by the Article in Part 2 entitled "Former Public Servant"				
Security Clearance Level of Bidder					
[include both the level and the date it was granted]					
[Note to Bidders: Please ensure that the security clearance matches the legal name of the Bidder. If it does not, the security clearance is not valid for the Bidder.]					

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On behalf of the Bidder, by signing below, I confirm that I have read the entire bid solicitation including the documents incorporated by reference into the bid solicitation and I certify that:

1. The Bidder considers itself and its proposed resources able to meet all the mandatory requirements described in the bid solicitation;

2. This bid is valid for the period requested in the bid solicitation;

3. All the information provided in the bid is complete, true and accurate; and

4. If the Bidder is awarded a contract, it will accept all the terms and conditions set out in the resulting contract clauses included in the bid solicitation.

Signature of Authorized Representative of Bidder

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FORM 2 -BID EVALUATION CRITERIA

Resources requested on future Task Authorizations under the resulting Contract will be evaluated against these criteria.

## 1 Corporate Criteria

## 1.1 Mandatory Evaluation Criteria - Corporate

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s* contracts, through the issuance of task authorizations, for		
ment client** where services were performed in the NCR.		
n contract identified: Been awarded within the past Seven (7) years (as of bid closing date); A duration of at least twelve (12) months within the past Seven (7) years (as of bid closing date); (Note: duration does not include option periods that have not been exercised). A minimum contract value of \$3,500,000.00 (taxes included). Have a minimum total invoiced amount of 75% of the original value of the Contract (before taxes).		
owing definitions apply to the evaluation of bids: ormatics Professional Services are for professional services provided bidder in support of cyber security functions.		
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The reference must include the following:

- 1) Name of the organization;
- 2) Size of organization;
- 3) The contract number;
- 4) A brief description of the services provided;
- 5) The name, the telephone number and e-mail address of the organizations' contact responsible for the Contract and who received each invoice submitted for the Contracting item 1 above;
- 6) The dates (dd/mm/yyyy) for both the start and end date (if applicable) of the contracts.
- 7) The Contract Value; and
- 8) The total invoiced amount for the contract (excluding Applicable Taxes).

The information listed above must be submitted with the bid using Form 6 – Customer Reference Contact Information Form. If any of the information is not submitted, the Contracting Authority will inform the Bidder of a time frame within which to provide the information. Failure to provide the information listed above within this time frame will render the bid non-responsive.

It is the Bidder's responsibility to ensure that any information provided is accurate.

The Bidder must have been the prime contractor, rather than a subcontractor. This means that the Bidder contracted directly with the customer for the work. If the Bidder's contract was to perform work which another entity had itself first been contracted to perform, the Bidder will not be considered the prime contractor. For example, Z (customer) contracted with Y, in turn, entered into a contract with X to provide all or part of these services to Z. In this example, Y is a prime contractor and X is a subcontractor.

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## 1.2 Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate

#	Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate	a - Corporate Point Rating		Max Points	Score	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location		
R: Co	rporate							
	The Bidder should demonstrate corporate experience in providing *large task-based	>\$3.5M-\$4.5M	3 points					
	Cyber Security Informatics Professional Services to a Canadian Federal, Provincial	>\$4.5M -\$5.5M	6 points					
	or Municipal Department/Agency or a Crown Corporation.	>\$5.5M- \$6.5M	9 points					
R1	·	>\$6.5M	12 points	12				
	* large is defined as CAD \$3,500,000.00 (taxes included) or more.			12				
	A Sample Form has been provided in Form 6 and is intended to be used as a sample to demonstrate the suggested format and required content to be provided by Bidders.							
	The Bidder should demonstrate corporate experience in the conduct of Cyber Security	No experience	0 points					
	Services such as the development of IT Security plans and Strategies, Security	>0 to 12months	4 points					
   R2	Threat analysis, Risk Assessment, and the implementation of IT security solutions.	>12 to 24 months	8 points	12				
		>24 months	12 points					
	A Sample Form has been provided in Form							
	6 and is intended to be used as a sample to							
	demonstrate the suggested format and required content to be provided by Bidders.							
	Maximum Points Available:					24		
		Minimum S	core Required		15			
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## 2 Technical Evaluation Criteria

## 2.1 Level 3 - Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant

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## 2.1.1 Mandatory Criteria:

#	Requirement	MET (Yes/No)	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
M: Le	vel 3 - Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant		
M1	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource has seven (7) years of combined experience within the last fifteen (15) years developing IT Security Strategies and/or plans in an enterprise context.		
M2	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource holds a valid college diploma or a university degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.		
	**Please note that a college diploma is obtained after 2 years. **		

## 2.1.2 Rated Criteria:

#	Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate	Point Rating	Max Points	Score	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
R: Le	vel 3 - Strategic IT Security Planning and Prof	tection Consultant			
R1	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource has experience within the last fifteen (15) years developing Information Security strategies and programs, including current information security maturity assessments, risks, and associated improvement/mitigation/capability roadmap for the Government of Canada departments/agencies, Provincial and municipal Government entities, and large private sector corporations.	1 point for each year beyond seven (7) years	5		
R2	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds Information Security professional training and certification recognized by 3rd party professional cyber security communities, such as but not	1 point per certificate	5		

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	limited to:					
	Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) ISSEP Information Systems Security Engineering Professional, ISSAP Information Systems Security Architecture Professional ISACA Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) ISACA Certification in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC) COBIT 5 assessor PCI assessor Sarbanes- Oxley (SOX) professional Certified Cloud Security Professional CCSP) Information Systems Security Management Professional (ISSMP) Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP) CEH – Certified Ethical Hacker CSSA SCADA Security Architect GSEC/GCIH/GCIA GIAC GISP  Proof of certificate must be submitted with bid.					
R3	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds a valid degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.	Postgraduate degree Graduate	2 points 1 point	2		
	Proof of Degree must be submitted with the bid.					
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## 2.2 Level 3 - IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accreditation Analyst

## 2.2.1 Mandatory Criteria:

#	Requirement	MET (Yes/No)	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
M: Le	vel 3 - IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment and Certification and Accredita	tion Analyst	
M1	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource has Seven (07) years of combined experience within the last fifteen (15) years producing IT Security Threat and Risk Assessment (TRA) and/or Security Assessment & Authorization (SA&A) in an enterprise context.		
M2	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource holds a valid college diploma or a university degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.		

## 2.2.2 Rated Criteria:

	#	Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate	Point Rating	Max Points	Score	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
F	R: Lev	el 3 - IT Security Threat and Risk Assessme	nt and Certification and Accredit	ation Ana	lyst	
	R1	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource has experience within the last fifteen (15) years performing IT Security assessment work for the Government of Canada, Provincial and municipal Government entities, and large private sector corporations, in accordance with Security Policies and related operational level documents.	1 point for each year beyond seven (7) years	5		
	R2	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource has experience within the last fifteen (15) years producing and assessing IT security artefacts and architectures for the purposes of completing Security Assessment and Authorization (SA&A) of an IT system.	1 point for each year beyond seven (7) years	5		

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R3	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds Information Security professional training and certification recognized by 3rd party professional cyber security communities, such as but not limited to:  • Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) ISSEP Information Systems Security Engineering Professional, ISSAP Information Systems Security Architecture Professional • ISACA Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) • ISACA Certification in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC) • COBIT 5 assessor • PCI assessor • PCI assessor • Sarbanes- Oxley (SOX) professional • Certified Cloud Security Professional (CCSP) • Information Systems Security Management Professional (ISSMP) • Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP) • CEH – Certified Ethical Hacker • CSSA • SCADA Security Architect • GSEC/GCIH/GCIA • GIAC GISP	1 point per certificate		5	
	the bid The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed	Postgraduate degree	2		
R4	resource holds a valid degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.	points  Graduate point	1	2	

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Proof of Degree must be submitted with the bid.				
	Maximum Points Available:		17	
	Minimum Score Required		10	
	Score:			

## 2.3 Level 3 - Information Technology Security Engineer

## 2.3.1 Mandatory Criteria:

#	Requirement	MET (Yes/No)	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
M: Le	vel 3 - Information Technology Security Engineer		
	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource has seven (07) years of combined demonstrated experience within the last fifteen (15) years working in the development and implementation of IT security solutions and infrastructure involving a combination of at least 3 of the following areas, in an enterprise context:  • Host-based Intrusion Prevention System (HIPS) and/or EDR; • Wireless Networking Security Technologies (WIDS)		
M1	<ul> <li>Intrusion Detection/Prevent Systems (IDS/IPS)</li> <li>Event Auditing and Security Information and Event Management (logging, SIEM)</li> <li>Network Traffic capture and analysis</li> <li>Network Access Control (NAC), ACL and FW/WAF configuration;</li> <li>Identity Credentials and Access Management (ICAM) solutions,</li> <li>Encryption, keys, and certificates management systems (COMSEC, PKI);</li> <li>Data Loss Prevention (DLP)</li> <li>Endpoint Protection (antivirus, patching, etc.)</li> <li>Vulnerability management (scanners, etc.)</li> <li>Cloud Security solutions</li> </ul>		
	A minimum of consecutive twelve (12)- month experience is required in any given area for the experience to be considered		
M2	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource holds a valid college diploma or a university degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.		

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## 2.3.2 Rated Criteria:

#	Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate	Point Rating	Max Points	Score	Resume Cross Reference Location
R: Le	vel 3 - Information Technology Security Engir	neer			
R1	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource has experience within the last fifteen (15) years developing network security architecture based on IT Security Directives (ITSD) and/or IT Security Guidance (ITSG) at the Protected B level or higher for a Government of Canada department/agency, Provincial and municipal Government entities, and large private sector corporations	1 point for each year beyond seven (7) years	5		
R2	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds Information Security professional training and certification recognized by 3rd party professional cyber security communities, such as but not limited to:  • Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) ISSEP Information Systems Security Engineering Professional, ISSAP Information Systems Security Architecture Professional • ISACA Certified Information Security Manager (CISM) • ISACA Certification in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC) • COBIT 5 assessor • PCI assessor • Sarbanes- Oxley (SOX) professional • Certified Cloud Security Professional	1 point per certificate	5		

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	(CCSP)  • Information Systems Security Management Professional (ISSMP)  • Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP)  • CEH – Certified Ethical Hacker  • CSSA  • SCADA Security Architect  • GSEC/GCIH/GCIA  • GIAC GISP  Proof of certificate must be submitted with the bid.						
R3	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds a valid degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.	Postgraduate degree 2 points  Graduate 1 point		2			
		Maximum Points Ava	ilable:		 12		
		Minimum Score Red	quired		7	,	
			Score:		 		

## 2.4 Level 3 - Incident Management Specialist

## 2.4.1 Mandatory Criteria:

#	Requirement	MET (Yes/No)	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
M: Le	vel 3 - Incident Management Specialist		
M1	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource has seven (07) years of combined experience within the last fifteen (15) years in information security incident monitoring, detection, analysis, forensics, attribution research, response coordination and implementation, in an enterprise context.		
M2	The Bidder must demonstrate that the proposed resource holds a valid college diploma or a university degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or cyber security.		

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## 2.4.2 Rated Criteria:

#	Rated Evaluation Criteria - Corporate	Point Rating	Max Points	Score	Bidder's Response Resume Cross Reference Location
R: Le	vel 3 - Incident Management Specialist				
R1	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource has experience within the last fifteen (15) years developing departmental IT Security Incident Management programs, strategies, plans and procedures for the Government of Canada departments/agencies, Provincial and municipal Government entities, and large private sector corporations	1 point for each year beyond seven (7) years	5		
R2	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds Information Security professional training and certification recognized by 3rd party professional cyber security communities, such as but not limited to:  • Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) ISSEP Information Systems Security Engineering Professional, ISSAP Information Systems Security Architecture Professional  • ISACA Certified Information Security Manager (CISM)  • ISACA Certification in Risk and Information Systems Control (CRISC)  • COBIT 5 assessor  • PCI assessor  • Sarbanes- Oxley (SOX) professional	1 point per certificate	5		

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	Certified Cloud Security Professional (CCSP) Information Systems Security Management Professional (ISSMP) Certified Secure Software Lifecycle Professional (CSSLP) CEH – Certified Ethical Hacker CSSA SCADA Security Architect GSEC/GCIH/GCIA GIAC GISP  Proof of certificate must be submitted with the bid.					
R3	The Bidder demonstrates that the proposed resource holds a valid degree from a recognized post-secondary institution with acceptable specialization in computer science, information technology, and/or	Postgraduate degree points  Graduate point	1	2		
	cyber security.  Proof of Degree must be submitted with the bid.					
		Maximum Points Av			12	_
		Minimum Score Ro			7	
			Score:			

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# FORM 3 - PRICING SCHEDULE

In respect of the "Estimated Number of Days" listed below in (C\*) the estimated number of days is for evaluation purposes only during the solicitation process and does not represent a commitment of the future usage.

## **Initial Contract Period:**

Initial Contract Period – Year 1				
	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Estimated Number of Days	Firm Per Diem Rate	Total Cost (C x D)
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	440	\$	\$
C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	440	\$	\$
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	880	\$	\$
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	440	\$	\$
	Total Pi	rice Initial Cor	ntract Period	\$ <tbd></tbd>

Initial Contract Period – Year 2				
	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Estimated Number of Days	Firm Per Diem Rate	Total Cost (C x D)
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	440	\$	\$
C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	440	\$	\$
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	880	\$	\$
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	440	\$	\$
	Tota	l Price Initial	Contract Period	\$ <tbd></tbd>

## **Option Periods:**

Option Period – Year 3				
	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)
Resource Category	Level of Expertise	Estimated Number of Days	Firm Per Diem	Total Cost (C x D)
C.1 Strategic IT Security Planning and Protection Consultant	Level 3	40	\$	\$

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C.3 IT Security TRA and C&A Analyst	Level 3	40	\$	\$
C.6 IT Security Engineer	Level 3	80	\$	\$
C.12 Incident Management Specialist	Level 3	40	\$	\$
Total Price Option Period 1			\$ <tbd></tbd>	

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# FORM 4 - Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Certification

I, the Bidder, by submitting the present information to the Contracting Authority, certify that the information provided is true as of the date indicated below. The certifications provided to Canada are subject to verification at all times. I understand that Canada will declare a bid non-responsive, or will declare a contractor in default, if a certification is found to be untrue, whether during the bid evaluation period or during the contract period. Canada will have the right to ask for additional information to verify the Bidder's certifications. Failure to comply with any request or requirement imposed by Canada may render the bid non-responsive or constitute a default under the Contract.

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	her information on the Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity visit <u>Employment and</u> <u>Development Canada (ESDC) - Labour's</u> website.
Date: date.)	(YYYY/MM/DD) (If left blank, the date will be deemed to be the bid solicitation closing
Comple	ete both A and B.
A.	Check only one of the following:
( ) A1.	The Bidder certifies having no work force in Canada.
( ) A2.	The Bidder certifies being a public sector employer.
( ) A3.	The Bidder certifies being a federally regulated employer being subject to the $\underline{\text{Employment Equity}}$ $\underline{\text{Act}}$ .
( ) A4.	The Bidder certifies having a combined work force in Canada of less than 100 permanent full-time and/or permanent part-time employees.
A5.	The Bidder has a combined workforce in Canada of 100 or more employees; and
( ) A5.1	The Bidder certifies already having a valid and current <u>Agreement to Implement Employment</u> <u>Equity</u> (AIEE) in place with ESDC-Labour.
OR	
( ) A5.2	2The Bidder certifies having submitted the Agreement to Implement Employment Equity (LAB1168) to ESDC-Labour. As this is a condition to contract award, proceed to completing the form Agreement to Implement Employment Equity (LAB1168), duly signing it, and transmit it to ESDC-Labour.
B.	Check only one of the following:
( ) B1.	The Bidder is not a Joint Venture.
OR	
( ) B2.	The Bidder is a Joint venture, and each member of the Joint Venture must provide the Contracting Authority with a completed annex Federal Contractors Program for Employment Equity - Certification. (Refer to the Joint Venture section of the Standard Instructions).

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# FORM 5 - ELECTRONIC PAYMENT INSTRUMENTS

The Bidder accepts to be paid by any of the following Electronic Payment Instrument(s):

(i) Direct Deposit (Domestic and International);

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# FORM 6 - CUSTOMER REFERENCE CONTACT INFORMATION FORM

Customer Reference Contact Information:				
Name of client organization:				
Name of client:	<del></del>			
Client's title:				
Client telephone nº	**			
Contract Information: The Bidder must provide with this Form a copy of the reference contract.				
Contract no:	7.5			
Start date: End date:				
Total contract value (excluding Applicable Taxes and not including amendments):				
Core categories provided:				
Additional Information:				
By signing below, the Bidder certifies that the information provided in this Form is accurate.				
Signature of authorized representative of the Bidder:	Name:  Title:  Signature:  Date:			