



Professional Audit Support Services (PASS) Requirement

This requirement is for: ***Employment and Social Development Canada - ESDC***

This requirement is open only to those **Supply Arrangement Holders under E60ZQ-180001** who qualified under Tier 1 for the following stream:

Stream 1 - Internal Audit Services

Stream 3 - Information Technology and Systems Audit

The following SA Holders have been invited to submit a proposal:

- A Hundred Answers Inc.
- Aniko Consultants Inc., Samson & Associés-CPA Consultation Inc.-Samson & Associés CPA-Consulting Inc. in Joint Venture
- BDO Canada LLP
- Deloitte LLP
- Ernst & Young LLP
- KPMG LLP
- MNP LLP
- Orbis Risk Consulting Inc.
- Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP
- QMR Staffing Solutions Incorporated
- Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton Consulting Inc.
- Samson & Associés CPA/Consultation Inc.
- Spearhead Management Canada Ltd.

Description of the Requirement:

The Department of Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) requires qualified professionals to provide nimble assurance services related to Internal Audit & Information Technology and System Audit Services in support of the Department's Internal Audit and Enterprise Risk Management Branch.

Level of Security Requirement:

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).
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.
3. 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, attached at Annex C of RFP; and,
 - (b) *Contract Security Manual* (Latest Edition).

Applicable Trade Agreements:

The requirement is subject to the provisions of the:

- World Trade Organization Agreement on Government Procurement (WTO-AGP),
- Canada-Chile Free Trade Agreement (CCFTA),
- Canada-Peru Free Trade Agreement (CPFTA),
- Canada-Colombia Free Trade Agreement (CCoIFTA),
- Canada-Panama Free Trade Agreement (CPanFTA),
- Canada-European Union Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA),
- Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership (CPTPP),
- Canadian Free Trade Agreement (CFTA),
- Canada-Ukraine Free Trade Agreement (CUFTA)
- Canada-Honduras Free Trade Agreement; and,
- Canada-Korea Free Trade Agreement (CKFTA).

Proposed period of contract:

The proposed period of contract shall be from April 1, 2024 date for a period of 2 years plus two (2) option periods of one (1) year each.

File Number: 100024006

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Inquiries:

Inquiries regarding this RFP requirement must be submitted to the Contracting Authority named above. Requests for Proposal (RFP) documents will be e-mailed directly from the Contracting Authority to the Qualified Supply Arrangement Holders who are being invited to bid on this requirement. BIDDERS ARE ADVISED THAT BUYANDSELL.GC.CA IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF SOLLICITATION DOCUMENTS. The Crown retains the right to negotiate with any supplier on any procurement. Documents may be submitted in either official language.

NOTE: The Professional Audit Support Services Supply Arrangement is refreshed four (4) times per year. If you wish to find out how you can be a "Qualified SA Holder", please contact spsvaaautorite.passsaauthority@tpsgc-pwgsc.gc.ca.