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DARPA/CMO

The BAA posted at FBO takes precedence over any information contained herein.



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Solicitation is released utilizing BAA procedures in accordance with FAR 35.016

- The BAA, any amendments and the associated DD Form 254 (Contract Security Classification Specification) will be posted in FEDBIZOPPS at www.fbo.gov.
- BAA allows for a variety of technical solutions
- Evaluation of proposals will be accomplished through a scientific review of each proposal using the evaluation criteria stated in the BAA.
- Proposals will be due 60 days from BAA publication.
- BAA covers all info needed to propose including instructions on requesting the FITT Program Security Classification Guide.

Following the proposal preparation instructions assists the evaluation team to clearly understand what is being proposed and supports a timely negotiation.



ELIGIBILITY ISSUES

- All interested/qualified sources
 - Prior to award, offerors must have personnel and access to facilities with a minimum SECRET classification.
- No foreign participants/resources may participate unless authorized by applicable Security Regulations, Export Laws, etc.
- FFRDCs, Government/National labs, military educational institutions, etc. are subject to applicable direct competition limitations and cannot propose to this BAA in any capacity, unless they can clearly demonstrate the work is NOT otherwise available from the private sector AND they also provide written documentation citing the specific statutory authority establishing their eligibility to propose to Government solicitations.



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ITEMS TO NOTE

- Organizational Conflict of Interest & Procurement Integrity language (SETA vs Performer)
- Central Contractor Registration (CCR), Online Representations and Certifications Application (ORCA), Employment Eligibility Verification and Wide Area Workflow (WAWF)
- Export Control language (ITAR)
- Subcontracting Issues
 - Subcontracting Plans required for contracts with subcontracting possibilities expected to exceed \$550,000, unless offeror is a small business.
 - Detailed cost breakdown for subs whose costs are, or exceed, 10% of the total proposed price.
- Data Rights Assertions - Assert rights to all technical data & computer software generated, developed, and/or delivered to which the Government will receive less than Unlimited Rights. This information is assessed during evaluations.
 - Provide and justify basis of assertions that apply to the Prime and any Subs in the prescribed format.



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EVALUATION/AWARD

- No common Statement of Work - Proposal evaluated on individual merit and relevance as it relates to the stated research goals/objectives rather than against each other
- Government reserves the right to select for award all, some, or none of the proposals received and to award without discussions
- Government anticipates making multiple awards
- Funding instruments: procurement contract(s) or Other Transactions Agreements (OTA).
 - OTA for Prototype may be proposed, but must adhere to OTA guidance as outlined at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dpap/Docs/policy/otherTransactions/current%20otguideconformed%20Jan%202001.doc>

Only a duly authorized Contracting Officer may obligate the Government



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COMMUNICATIONS

- Prior to Receipt of Proposals – No restrictions, however Gov't (PM/PCO) shall not dictate solutions or transfer technology
- After Receipt of Proposals – Government (PM/PCO) may communicate with offerors in order to understand the meaning of some aspect of the proposal that is not clear or to obtain confirmation or substantiation of a proposed approach, solution, or cost estimate
- Informal feedback **may** be provided once selection(s) are made



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- Proposals must be valid for a minimum of 180 days
- DARPA anticipates unclassified proposals however offerors may include a classified (up to SECRET) appendix to their proposal, if necessary.
- DARPA will employ an electronic upload submission system for all UNCLASSIFIED responses to this BAA. Details/instructions will be in the BAA. **NO CLASSIFIED MATERIAL MAY BE UPLOADED!!!**
- Classified appendices must be sent separately as outlined in the BAA.



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Questions?