



THE UNIVERSITY of TEXAS SYSTEM

SUPPLY CHAIN ALLIANCE

Request for Proposal Summary

By
The University of Texas System on behalf of The University of Texas Supply Chain Alliance
For
Selection of a Preferred Supplier(s)
To provide
Request for Proposal

Bid Number #: UTS/A34

RFX Name: UTSSCA RFP - Security Information and Event Management (SIEM)

RFP Information:

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Close: Feb 20, 2013 3:00 PM

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INTRODUCTION

The University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance (the "Alliance") was created to expand the use of joint purchasing and explore new opportunities to leverage the collective size and strength of our campuses through cooperative purchasing agreements. The mission of the Alliance is to provide reliable, sustainable solutions for the purchase and delivery of equipment, services, and supplies to support the core missions of education, patient care, and research at the University of Texas System. ("UT System")

The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center ("MD Anderson") was chosen by UT System to host the Alliance's Strategic Sourcing Team. This team of supply chain professionals is exclusively dedicated to accomplishing the goals and objectives of UT System.

The Alliance has chosen to utilize an electronic RFP process to collect cost, performance data, and general requirements. With this process, your company will be able to review and respond to our RFP, including specifications, terms and conditions, and other pertinent documents on one centralized web portal.

To participate in this sourcing event and respond to this RFP, the Alliance requires ALL suppliers, regardless of current business relationship, to register your company information on the Ariba Supplier Portal. This will allow us to collect general information about your company. Visit the website at www.mdanderson.org/suppliers, click on the **Supplier Portal Login** link in the middle of the page and complete your company registration by clicking on the **Register as a new Supplier** link. It is important to keep in mind that registration through the Ariba site is the first step in doing business with the Alliance. For additional information on how to complete the registration, follow this link: [registration instruction](#).

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Description of University of Texas System

The University of Texas System is comprised of 15 institutions of higher education with campuses across the State of Texas whose missions are devoted to world class healthcare, teaching, research, and public service (collectively, "UT System"). UT System currently has six health institutions and nine academic facilities, making it one of the larger education systems in the United States. With an operating budget of \$12.8 billion, UT System has a current student enrollment exceeding 202,000. UT System employs more than 84,000 faculty and staff, making UT System one of the largest employers in the State of Texas.

UT System is comprised of the following institutions:

- The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston (UTMB)
- The University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center (UTSW)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Tyler (UTHSCT)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHSCH)
- The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio (UTHSCSA)
- The University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center (UTMDACC)
- The University of Texas at Austin (UT Austin)
- The University of Texas at Arlington (UT Arlington)
- The University of Texas at San Antonio (UTSA)
- The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD)
- The University of Texas - Pan American (UTPA)
- The University of Texas of the Permian Basin (UTPB)
- The University of Texas at El Paso (UTEP)
- The University of Texas at Brownsville (UTB)
- The University of Texas at Tyler (UTTY)

UT System has established the University of Texas System Supply Chain Alliance (the "Alliance") to conduct and coordinate strategic purchasing initiatives across UT System. UTMB, UTSW, UTHSCT, UTHSCH, UTHSCSA and UTMDACC are members of the Alliance. The Alliance is also affiliated with UT System academic campuses and Baylor College of Medicine, Texas Tech University, and Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center. Through a collaborative relationship, the Alliance seeks to combine the supply chain and contracting activities and efforts to obtain best value goods, services, and equipment, while reducing total acquisition costs.

The Alliance has created a team of supply chain professionals (the "Strategic Sourcing Team") that has been tasked with executing Alliance purchasing initiatives. The Strategic Sourcing Team assembles a team of subject matter experts ("SMEs") from each participating institution to assist in the development of each sourcing event and the evaluation of suppliers during the procurement process. SMEs are involved from the sourcing event's initial inception and work with the Alliance and UT System to select the best value supplier(s).

By participating in this Request for Proposal ("RFP"), proposer(s) (collectively, "Proposer") agrees to extend all goods, services and pricing to any Alliance member or affiliate (collectively, "Institutional Participants") that wishes to participate in any contract entered into with Proposer.

Objective of this Request for Proposal

UT System, acting through the Alliance, is soliciting proposals in response to this RFP from qualified suppliers, for a security information and event management ("SIEM") solution, including software, that is more specifically described throughout this RFP and in Section 5.4 (Scope of Work) of this RFP in particular (collectively, the "Services"). The successful Proposer(s) to whom business may be awarded is referred to in this RFP as the "Preferred Supplier." SIEM is an enterprise solution for aggregating, correlating, and analyzing security event data in real time. SIEM solutions help security professionals identify and promptly respond to threats, demonstrate compliance with regulatory requirements, and perform sophisticated forensic activities. As a technology, SIEM provides real-time monitoring and historical reporting of information security events from multiple areas (i.e. networks, servers, systems, applications, etc.). Events are displayed on a centralized management console, providing a single point-of-view from which it is easier to spot trends and see patterns that are out of the ordinary. Many firms have deployed SIEM as a method to address regulatory compliance reporting requirements, in addition to using it as a mechanism in which to build a robust information security operation, integrating the SIEM into their security management and incident response areas. For the purposes of this RFP, the scope of opportunity includes UT System Administration, The University of Texas Investment Management Company ("UTIMCO"), the (9) UT System academic campuses, and the (6) UT System health institutions. More details regarding the size and expanse of UT System can be found at: <http://www.utsystem.edu/fastfacts>. As stated in the Scope of Work (ref. Section 5.4 of this RFP), the desired solution will need to have the capability of scaling from an initial small implementation, to a larger, more comprehensive solution. However, as a point of reference, for the purposes of gauging the scope of the required solution, please consider the Events per Second ("EPS") data from The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston (UTHSC-H). UTHSC-H would be considered a mid-sized entity, having 10,000 EPS. UT System makes no guarantees of these estimated figures, and offers this information only to assist you in preparing your proposal. No contract resulting from this RFP will guarantee a specific volume of Services to a Preferred Supplier.

Note: A pre-proposal conference is required. Attendance at this meeting is highly recommended for all potential Suppliers. Attendees are limited to two (2) representatives per company.

Pre-Bid Location: 7007 Bertner Ave, Houston, TX 77030 Ste 1MC10.3312

Date / Time: Tuesday, February 5, 2013 1:00 PM

Reserve by: Thursday, January 24, 2013 1:00 PM

Send your Pre-Bid reservation to: ALombrana@mdanderson.org

Pre-Bid Comments: UT System will hold a pre-proposal conference at 1:00 PM, Central Standard Time, on February 5, 2013. Proposers may attend the conference in one of the following two formats: in person attendance located in the One Mid Campus Building at 7007 Bertner Ave. Suite 10.3212, TX, 77030 (located in the Texas Medical Center); or webinar broadcast via the Internet utilizing the "Go-to-Meeting" webinar conference service. The Pre-Proposal Conference will allow all Proposers an opportunity to ask the Alliance, the Strategic Sourcing Team, and UT System HUB representatives relevant questions and clarify provisions of this RFP. Proposer should notify the UT System Contact by no later than February 1, 2013, whether it will attend the Pre-Proposal Conference, by emailing the UT System Contact at mfmachad@mdanderson.org. Proposer must clearly state in which format it will attend. If the Proposer elects to attend the Pre-Proposal Conference in the webinar format, UT System will provide complete details and instructions (including personal computer requirements). If Proposer elects to attend the Pre-Proposal Conference in person, there will be a strict limit of two (2) individuals per Proposer.

IMPORTANT NOTE

This RFP Summary is for review purposes only. You must register your company through the Ariba Supplier Portal in order gain full access to this RFP. Proposals will not be accepted if not submitted through the online Ariba Sourcing tool. With this process, you will be able to respond to the RFP, including specifications, terms and conditions, and other pertinent documents within one centralized web portal.

It is important to keep in mind that registration through the Ariba Supplier Portal is the first step in doing business with the UT System and the Alliance. To participate in this sourcing event and respond to this RFP, visit the website at www.mdanderson.org/suppliers, click on the **Supplier Portal Login** link in the middle of the page and complete your company registration by clicking on the **Register as a new Supplier** link. It is important to keep in mind that registration through the Ariba Supplier Portal is the first step in doing business with the Alliance. For additional information on how to complete the registration, follow this link: [registration instruction](#).

Only one registration per company is required at this time. If you have previously registered, no further registration is required. During the RFP process, the person that registers your company will be responsible for granting access to other individuals within your organization.

If you have any questions related to this RFP, please contact Alicia Lombrana at 713-563-0230 or by e-mail at ALombrana@mdanderson.org.

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