

Program Budget Enterprise System (PBES) Request for Information (RFI)

Issued by: AFLCMC/GBK, AFLCMC/GBGQ

Purpose:

This Request for Information (RFI), as defined in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) 15.201(e) is being issued to gather information regarding your experience with the configuration of the financial planning COTS products: Oracle Hyperion, Oracle Data Relationship Management (DRM), Oracle Analytics Server (OAS), and Oracle Internet Directory (OID), as well as AWS Cloud Migration. These tools enable the PBES Program Management Office (PMO) to fulfill the requirements for the Air Force in the Planning, Programming, and Budgeting processes. The Government will use any information submitted as market research for three purposes: 1) better appreciate the capabilities of industry as well as the determine the interest of industry; 2) develop/revise the acquisition strategy; and 3) refine the RFP to fully depict the Government requirement in clear and concise terms.

This is not a request for proposal (RFP), request for quotation (RFQ), or invitation for bid (IFB), nor does its issuance obligate or restrict the Government to an eventual acquisition approach. The information provided in the RFI is subject to change and is not binding on the Government. Neither unsolicited proposals nor any other kinds of offers will be considered in response to the RFI. The Government does not intend to award a contract based on responses from this RFI or pay for the preparation of any information submitted or for the use of such information. No basis for claims against the Government shall arise as a result of a response to this RFI or the Government use of information submitted to refine its acquisition strategy. Any information submitted by respondents to this request is strictly voluntary. All RFI responses will be considered "For Official Use Only" and not shared with any other potential vendors.

To the maximum extent possible, please submit non-proprietary information. Any proprietary information submitted shall be identified as such and will be properly protected from disclosure. The Government shall not be liable for damages related to proprietary information that is not properly identified. Proprietary information will be safeguarded in accordance with the applicable Government regulations. Responses to the RFI will not be returned.

Scope:

The Government is seeking to understand vendor capabilities pertaining to the configuration of Oracle Hyperion to meet the needs of the Planning, Programming, and Budgeting process for the Air Force and the vendors capabilities pertaining to migrating/administering software systems in a Cloud Environment in support of the PBES PMO. The vendor should include information about their experience implementing Oracle Hyperion and Cloud Migration efforts in either the Department of Defense or in the commercial sector. Please state your role in the referenced effort along with those resources required to support. Please also address your ability to provide a comprehensive program management and systems engineering approach in key processes areas,

including, but not limited to, the following: interfaces with legacy systems, systems architecture, requirements analysis, schedule management, developmental testing and evaluation (DT&E), information assurance and cybersecurity, data quality management, training, and change management.

Additional Information:

The PBES effort is aimed at configuring a Commercial off the Shelf (COTS) software system that will deliver planning, budgeting and programming capability for the Air Force on a classified SIPR network.

PBES replaced Automated Budget Interactive Data Environment System (ABIDES), Resource Allocation Programming Information Decision System (RAPIDS), Enhanced Tradespace Tool (ETT) and Force Structure Data Management (FSDM).

Utilizing Business Process Re-engineering (BPR), the Air Force designated PBES as the solution to deliver traceability of financial data in support of the programming and budgeting processes. Using BPR, PBES addresses excessive overhead, outdated business practices and other time-consuming support activities. PBES has made the budget formulation process more efficient by incorporating business best practices, organizing programming and budgeting personnel, as well as utilizing current technology. PBES also eliminate checks and balances required of older technology, taking advantage of automated reconciliation services.

PBES has been identified as the Authoritative Data Sources (ADS) for data exposure, resulting in more timely and accurate budget submissions to Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), Congress, and other internal and external customers.

Information Requested:

To provide transparency and seek valuable early-strategy input from industry, the Government request inputs and answers as it relates to the following areas:

- 1) Have you ever supported, and to what capacity, a program or company utilizing Oracle Hyperion 11.2? Was this a DoD or commercial effort, and at what phase is/was the effort? Have you migrated a Hyperion Application(s) from 11.1 to 11.2? Please list.
- 2) What experience, if any, do you have with the Air Force Planning, Programming, and Budgeting processes? Please explain.
- 3) Do you have the ability to provide Certified Oracle Hyperion experts with experience in business processes associated with ABIDES, RAPIDS, and ETT? If so, please provide specific experience with ABIDES, RAPIDS, and ETT.

- 4) PBES is hosted on the SIPR network, do you currently have the ability to provide an integration/configuration team that has the appropriate security clearances to develop a classified system?
- 5) Please list any certifications that your company maintains regarding the following:
 - Oracle Hyperion Planning
 - Oracle Essbase
 - Oracle Business Intelligence Foundation Suite
 - Oracle Analytics Server
 - Oracle Data Relationship Manager
 - Oracle Internet Directory
 - Oracle Database Data Warehousing
 - Oracle PL/SQL
 - Oracle Enterprise Performance Management
- 6) What experience, if any, do you have with migrating software systems to the Cloud?
Please explain.
- 7) Please state your current CMMI Level.

Follow-On Discussions:

Depending on the industry feedback, the Government may conduct further conversation with respondents to better understand their responses.

Response Instructions:

Responses should be no more than 10 pages (this does not include the cover page). Interested vendors should forward their responses to AFLCMC/GBKA, Ms. Dione Davis at dione.davis@us.af.mil, Ms. Ebony Stewart at ebony.stewart.2@us.af.mil, or Ms. Princess Kendrick at princess.kendrick@us.af.mil. Responses to this RFI are to be submitted by and RECEIVED by **1200 CST, 2 November 2022**. Responses must be single-spaced, Times New Roman, 12-point font, with one-inch margins, and compatible with MS Office 365 Word.

Questions:

Any questions related to this RFI shall be submitted to both the Contracting Officer and Contract Specialist listed above, no later than **10:00 a.m. (CST) 27 October 2022**.

Proprietary information and trade secrets, if any, must be clearly marked on all materials. All information received that is marked Proprietary will be handled in accordance with applicable regulations and statutes. Please be advised that all submissions become Government property and will not be returned. All personnel reviewing RFI responses understands their responsibility for proper use and protection from unauthorized disclosure of proprietary information as described in 41 USC 423. The Government shall not be held liable for any damages incurred if proprietary information is not properly identified.

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