

INSIGHTS FROM THE BDO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTING PRACTICE

GSA's OASIS Plus (OASIS+) Draft RFPs Have Been Released: **Are You Prepared?**



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The General Services Administration (GSA) has announced a new contract vehicle which the agency sees as the “next generation Best-in-Class Multi-Agency Contracts (BIC MAC) for complex non-IT services.” The One Acquisition Solution for Integrated Services Plus (OASIS+) is a multiple award, Indefinite Delivery Indefinite Quantity (IDIQ) acquisition program set to be the improved follow-up contract to OASIS when its ordering period comes to an end in 2024. The contract vehicle will be available for use by all federal agencies, and it is expected to support both civilian and defense agencies. The OASIS+ contract programs will also include five (5) separate small business contract vehicles.

The Small Business and Unrestricted draft Request for Proposals (RFPs) were released on November 15, 2022. The details have not yet been finalized and may change pending the issuance of the final draft RFP sometime in Q2 of FY 2023. GSA expects to begin announcing the first awards in Q4 of FY 2023.

Proposal preparation and evaluation will be conducted via the OASIS+ Symphony Portal (OSP). This portal is currently available for early registration and is accessible at: <https://oasis.app.cloud.gov>.

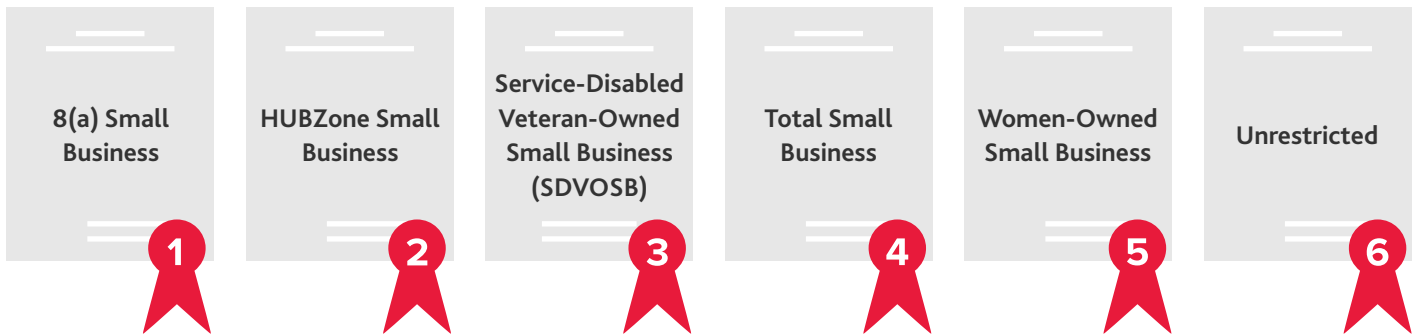


Key Features of OASIS+

OASIS+ will be a 10-year open contract program that provides access to a mix of commercial and non-commercial services at a global scale. The contract vehicle will support all contract pricing types at the task order level, eliminating the requirement to include pricing with the proposal.

After the initial source selection, GSA intends to offer continuous on-ramping in an effort to remove barriers to entry for qualified contractors and expand socio-economic representation. This on-ramping strategy will also provide OASIS+ contractors the flexibility to add new Domains (Contract Line Items Numbers or CLINs) to their existing award(s) through a simple contract modification.

GSA intends to solicit and award six (6) separate IDIQ contracts under each of the following categories:



Key Differences	OASIS	OASIS+
On-Ramps	Periodic	Continually open
Number of Awardees	Limited	No cap
Period of Performance	5-year base with one 5-year option	10 consecutive years
Small Business Contracts	2	5
Core Disciplines	6	13
New Scope Areas	Fixed structure	Flexible Domain-based structure
Price Evaluation	At the contract level	At the task order level
NAICS Codes	Multiple	1 code at the contract level

GSA is not limiting the number of OASIS+ contracts awarded. All qualifying offerors meeting or exceeding the qualification thresholds for a particular domain will be eligible for award.

Scope of OASIS+

OASIS+ is set to have a broader scope combining new offerings and those currently available under OASIS; Human Capital and Training Solutions (HCaTS); and Building Maintenance and Operations (BMO) contract vehicles. The contract's scope will be organized by Domains defined as functional groupings of related services and spanning multiple North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) codes. The small business size standard associated with each NAICS code will determine eligibility to compete for Domains.

Below are the proposed Phase 1 Domains for both Unrestricted and Small Business — the Enterprise Domain is only available under the Unrestricted IDIQ due to higher technical capabilities.

- ▶ **Management & Advisory** – OASIS
- ▶ **Technical & Engineering** – OASIS
- ▶ **Research & Development** – OASIS
- ▶ **Intelligence Services** – Expanded Scope
- ▶ **Enterprise Solutions** – Expanded Scope
- ▶ **Environmental Services** – Expanded Scope
- ▶ **Facilities** – BMO
- ▶ **Logistics** – OASIS

GSA plans to introduce five (5) more Domains in Phase 2, which is expected to take place during future on-ramps based on customers' needs.



Evaluation Strategy

GSA intends to award credits in line with distinct qualifications matrices. Each proposed Domain has a specific qualifications matrix which consists of unique capabilities and qualifications. Offerors will have to reach a qualified threshold in order to be considered for an award. GSA has set the following qualifying thresholds:

Small business and socioeconomic set-asides:

36 out of 50
available credits.



Unrestricted:

42 out of 50*
available credits.

*except for the Enterprise Domain which has a threshold set at 45 out of 50 available credits.

Offerors for OASIS+ have the opportunity to receive additional evaluation credits for demonstrating that they have adequate or approved Contractor Business Systems, as well as certain Certifications and Clearances. Note that points can only be claimed if the qualification is included in the proposed Domain qualification matrix.

CONTRACTOR BUSINESS SYSTEMS

OASIS+ allows offerors to receive scoring points for their business systems and approved rates.

Small Business Domains

Accounting System: Offerors may claim two (2) extra credits under the Small Business Domains. Offerors claiming credits for an adequate Accounting System must provide verification from the Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA), Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) or any Cognizant Federal Agency (CFA).

Unrestricted Domains

Business Systems: Offerors may claim one (1) credit under the Unrestricted Domains for having at least two (2) adequate business systems or approved rates and one (1) additional credit for having three (3) or more adequate business systems or approved rates.

- ▶ Accounting System
- ▶ Purchasing System
- ▶ Estimating System
- ▶ Earned Value Management System (EVMS)
- ▶ Material Management System
- ▶ Property Management System
- ▶ Approved Rates (e.g., Forward Pricing/Billing)

Offerors claiming credits for approved systems and rates must provide verification from the auditing federal agency.

OTHER CERTIFICATIONS AND CLEARANCES

OASIS+ contains cybersecurity requirements during both the pre-award and post-award phases. The contract also provides opportunities for additional scoring points for other certifications and clearances.

Cybersecurity Supply Chain Risk Management (C-SCRM):

GSA has committed to ensuring that offerors will uphold a high level of cybersecurity while performing under this contract. Pre-award, offerors will be required to complete and submit a cybersecurity risk questionnaire which aligns with FAR Clause 52.204-21, Basic Safeguarding of Covered Contractor Information Systems. Offerors will also be required to submit a C-SCRM plan annually starting 90 days after the award has been made.

Sustainability: GSA incorporated a new area of evaluation related to sustainable management practices. Offerors may claim up to two (2) credits for publicly disclosing scopes 1-3 greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions and a science-based reduction target. GSA will require offerors to certify that the claimed sustainability disclosures were developed using standards established by the GHG Protocol Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard and the Science Based Targets initiative (SBTi).

Capability Maturity Model Integration (CMMI) and International Organization for Standardization (ISO):

Offerors may claim only one (1) credit for having one of these certifications: CMMI - SVC or DEV level II or greater, or ISO 9001:2015, or ISO 27001:2013, or ISO 22301, or ISO 21508, or ISO 14001:2015, or ISO 28001:2007.

Facility Clearance Level (FCL): Offerors may claim up to three (3) credits for Secret or Top Secret cleared facilities and/or personnel depending on the proposed Domain qualifications.

Maximize Your Score

In the case of OASIS+, Contractor Business Systems, Certifications and Clearances are not minimum or mandatory requirements except for the cybersecurity requirements. However, offerors who demonstrate having these Systems, Certifications and Clearances within their proposal will receive additional evaluation points against the total points available.

While third-party audits will not be considered for evaluation credits, BDO can assist potential offerors to help maximize qualification credits by:

- ▶ Developing and assessing Business Systems and indirect rates.
- ▶ Preparing offerors for a DCAA, DCMA or CFA review.
- ▶ Providing assistance with other Certifications and Clearances, including C-SCRM, GHG reporting and representations, and facility clearances.



BDO will continue to track the development of the final RFP and routine updates from GSA. If you're interested in pursuing this contract vehicle, our experienced professionals in BDO's Government Contracting practice can help you prepare for the proposal.

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