

# Contractor Teaming Arrangements: CTAs

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#### **Topics**

- Existing Resources
- Privity of Contract
- One vs. Multiple Orders
- Practical Considerations

#### **Existing Resources**

- GSA YouTube Videos (one presentation in 6 minute videos)
- www.gsa.gov/cta page provides very good descriptive information from the standpoint of the ordering activity.
- Takeaways from GSA guidance
  - Suggests one order for the CTA team
  - Suggests evaluation of agreements.
- Particularly as it pertains to the number of orders and evaluations of CTA documents, contracting staffs may exercise broad discretion based on internal policy and system limitations.

#### **Privity of Contract**

- Privity of contract exists between the Government and each team member
  - No prime-sub relationships
- One designated lead vendor, not a prime contractor
- The lead vendor and its partners determine the terms of the teaming agreement, not the Government
- The contracting officer should evaluate the agreement to consider performance risk, but not dictate the terms

### One Order Versus Multiple

One Order	Multiple Orders
One set of invoices	Invoices per team member
Only lead reported in CPARS	All members reported in CPARS
Lead business size reported	Each member business size reported
Complete set asides Only	Complete or partial set asides

#### **Practical Considerations**

- Systems Limitations
  - Federal Procurement Data System (FPDS)
  - Contractor Performance and Rating System (CPARS)
- Invoicing
  - Approval and cash flow implications
- Ancillary Services
  - Project Management (Particularly Overall PM)
  - Installation
  - Design

## Questions?