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Air Force Signs On the Line, Commits to Primary Use of GSA's OASIS Contract for Complex Professional Services

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WASHINGTON -- In a ceremony held today at U.S. General Services Administration headquarters, GSA and the United States Air Force signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) securing Air Force's use of GSA's One Acquisition Solution for Integrated Services (OASIS) and OASIS Small Business contracts for procurement of complex professional services. OASIS is a first-of-its kind contract that will provide the government with a total solution contract vehicle for complex professional services projects.

"OASIS will save Air Force, and our folks in the field, a tremendous amount of time and effort. It will allow us to aggressively go after our small business goal with access to highly capable and vetted companies, and it significantly reduces our manpower requirements to conduct complex acquisitions," said **Randall D. Culpepper, Program Executive Officer for Combat and Mission Support, Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Acquisition**. "Our partnership with GSA on OASIS allows us preserve precious resources while putting in place a tool that is exceptionally responsive to the needs of defense organizations supporting the warfighter. We think this will be a great long-term relationship that will get us a lot of bang for the acquisition bucks that we have.



Through OASIS and OASIS Small Business, Air Force will:

- Reduce excess costs associated with award and administration of multiple IDIQ and/or standalone contracts
- Reduce the lead time and administrative efforts it currently takes agencies to acquire complex professional services
- Gain insight into spend volume and labor types and costs across the Federal Government and facilitate negotiation of lower pricing at the task order level
- Improve and reduce time associated with task order proposal comparison process by creating "apples to apples" comparisons of proposed labor costs
- Eliminate need for Task Order Contracting Officers to evaluate proposals from poor performers

The response period for OASIS and OASIS-Small Business Requests for Proposal (RFPs) came to a close last month; the OASIS team expects to award contracts in early 2014.

OASIS will be designed to address agencies' needs for any one or combination of the following professional service requirements that:

- Span multiple professional service disciplines
- Contain significant IT components, but are not IT requirements in and of themselves
- Contain Ancillary Support components commonly referred to as ODCs
- Require flexibility for all contract types at the task order level including cost reimbursement

OASIS will be able to provide both commercial and non-commercial services. The core disciplines of the contract will include program management services, management consulting services, logistics services, engineering services, scientific services, and financial services.

For more information about the MoU and/or OASIS, visit gsa.gov/oasis.

- Download the [OASIS Memorandum of Understanding with U.S. Air Force](#) [DOCX - 95.53 KB]
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The U.S. Air Force Acquisition Team following the signing ceremony. (Walt Nicholson/GSA)

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