



RFP 20-23-04 Investment Manager & Analytics Database

Questions & Answers

- 1.) Are you looking for an integrated solution covering data, analytics, and process management? Or would you also consider databases that may enhance your coverage of specific strategies?
SURS would consider databases that may enhance specific strategies including private equity, private credit, and/or real assets; but unlikely for hedge funds, as SURS does not invest in hedge funds.
- 2.) Will SURS consider a private-market-only solution as a part of this search?
Yes, we would consider a private-market-only solution if it would complement other public-market products.
- 3.) Our platform is a buy-to-build, cloud-native, trading, portfolio management, risk analytics, and research platform. Is SURS looking for an off-the-shelf solution? Or are you open to building your own applications to satisfy your current and future requirements?
SURS is mainly looking for an off-the-shelf solution.
- 4.) How many quants does SURS employ?
Zero
- 5.) How many application developers does SURS employ?
Zero, for the purposes of this search.
- 6.) Does SURS have Python experts?
Zero, for the purposes of this search.
- 7.) How many users does SURS expect to have in these categories?
 - a. Core Application Developer
 - b. Quant Developer
 - c. End User**Zero Core Application Developers, zero Quant Developers, and End Users may range from one to five depending on the product.**
- 8.) Who is your current provider?
We can disclose during the interview process.
- 9.) Do the 61 employers mentioned each have their own independent pension plan/pool of assets that are part of the multi-employer plan?
No

- 10.) What is the approximate number of investment accounts across all plans?
Approximately eighty, but not all need to be available on the database.
- 11.) What is the allocation breakdown between traditional and private assets in dollars and investment accounts?
Please see the SURS Investment policy or the Annual Financial Report on the SURS website for this information.
- 12.) Who are the custody banks and record-keepers for all the plans?
This can be discussed at a later point in the process.
- 13.) Is there a requirement to report on multi-employer plan total level, asset class and sub-asset class level, in addition to individual fund reporting and analysis?
No
- 14.) Is there a requirement to report on SURS' two defined contribution plans (Deferred Compensation Plan and Retirement Savings Plan) as well?
No
- 15.) What are some unique data requirements (i.e., CIT funds, variable annuity, custom benchmarks, etc.)?
This can be clarified at a later point in the process.
- 16.) How many total users do you anticipate using the platform?
One to five users depending on the database.