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# **UKRI-1799 Ns OPCPA Pump Laser**

**UK Research & Innovation** 

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

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## Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UK - United Kingdom

### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ukri.org

Buyer's address

www.ukri.org

## I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Laboratory%2C-optical-and-precision-equipments-%28excl.-glasses%29./JXF96M7A2C

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

# I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

UKRI-1799 Ns OPCPA Pump Laser

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

The Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), a component Research Council of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), is a world-leading multi-disciplinary science organisation, whose goal is to deliver economic, societal, scientific and international benefits to the UK and its people — and more broadly to the world.

UKRI, the contracting authority, wishes to purchase a laser system that will be used as the pump for a nanosecond OPCPA pre-amplifier that will provide amplified pulses with an energy of up to 1.5J, as part of the EPAC Project.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £900,000

### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Oxfordshire

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), a component Research Council of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI), is a world-leading multi-disciplinary science organisation, whose goal is to deliver economic, societal, scientific and international benefits to the UK and its people — and more broadly to the world.

Building work is currently underway at UKRI's Rutherford Appleton Laboratory (RAL) site for the EPAC (Extreme Photonics and Applications Centre) facility. EPAC will be applied to short pulse high power applications with its 10 Hertz Petawatt Laser. This will provide a step-change in capabilities for laser-driven accelerator research in the UK, enabling a plasma wakefield accelerator facility with multi-GeV electron beams and spatially coherent X-ray and gamma-ray beams for cutting edge experiments in plasma physics, laboratory astrophysics and condensed matter and material science. EPAC will bring together world-leading interdisciplinary expertise to develop and apply novel, laser based, non-conventional accelerators and particle sources which have unique properties.

UKRI, the contracting authority, wishes to purchase a minimum of one laser system that will be used as the pump for a nanosecond OPCPA pre-amplifier that will provide amplified pulses with an energy of up to 1.5J, as part of the EPAC Project. The minimum scope of the contract is for the supply of one laser system, with the ability to purchase up to an additional two laser systems at a later date.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £900,000

### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

# II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

# II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## Section IV. Procedure

# **IV.1) Description**

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

## IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# IV.2) Administrative information

## IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

11 February 2022

Local time

2:00pm

## IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

11 February 2022

Local time

2:00pm

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Laboratory%2C-optical-and-precision-equipments-%28excl.-glasses%29./JXF96M7A2C

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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