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Award

Open Full Ocean Depth / Hadal Rated Benthic Chamber Lander

APUC Limited on behalf of Scottish Association for Marine Science

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04cf0e

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

 $\frac{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1040}{2}$

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Open Full Ocean Depth / Hadal Rated Benthic Chamber Lander

Reference number

CS-SAMS-35432

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 34930000 - Marine equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The equipment will set out to explore the prevalence of dark oxygen production at the deep seafloor. To do this, we will require benthic chamber lander platforms that can measure seafloor oxygen fluxes. This types of lander platform required is where the benthic chamber remains open during the deployment, so air bubbles are not trapped. The benthic chamber lander requires one open chamber, including stirrers and syringe samplers, with all components rated to 12,000m.

It is well known within the industry (deep-sea biogeochemistry) that this niche open benthic chamber lander platform can only be supplied by KC Denmark.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: 500,792 EUR

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 34930000 - Marine equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM63 - Lochaber, Skye & Lochalsh, Arran & Cumbrae and Argyll & Bute

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

• The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

CS-SAMS-35432

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 January 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

KC Denmark A/S
Holmbladsvej 19
Silkeborg
8600

Country

Denmark

NUTS code

• DK042 - Østjylland

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: 500,792 EUR

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search Switch.aspx?ID=787465.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Oban Sherrif Court

Oban

Country

United Kingdom