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Contract

## **UKRI-3140 Marine Technical Advisor for UKRI-NERC**

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03f9a6

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK14 - Swindon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.ukri.org](http://www.ukri.org)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

UKRI-3140 Marine Technical Advisor for UKRI-NERC

Reference number

UKRI-3140

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71350000 - Engineering-related scientific and technical services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

UKRI wishes to establish a framework agreement (“Agreement”) for the provision of a marine technical advisor for UKRI-NERC. The purpose of this procurement is to appoint a supplier to support the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) in delivering a broad range of marine technical advice. The Agreement will be set up to appoint a single Supplier who will act as the main contractor. The Supplier may choose to take the lead role with other ‘specialist’ sub-advisors in order to provide a pre-selected core team for breadth of expertise and consistency of approach. The following organisations can access this framework Agreement: •National Oceanography Centre, Southampton (NOC) •UK Research & Innovation (UKRI).

#### **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: £5,000,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKK14 - Swindon

Main site or place of performance

Swindon

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The scope of the Agreement will include provision of: •Advice (including feasibility) & designs for existing vessels to improve fuel efficiency, safety, operability, scientific or environmental performance. •Specifications and supervision of works including but not limited to: o specifications for modifications o review of/comment on proposals/plans o review of/comment on production design and drawings o testing of machinery and equipment o support for ship trials o progress reporting to support modifications & refits and advise on follow-on activities. •Advice on marine infrastructure and equipment. •Advice/supervision on repair/modification works to vessels funded through or chartered by UKRI-NERC. •Marine safety assurance to the owner/operator.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Quality / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 25

Cost criterion - Name: Price Question / Weighting: 5

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Agreement duration shall be for a period of 3-years from commencement of the Agreement with an optional extension of up to 1-year in total.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

The following organisations can access this framework Agreement: •National Oceanography Centre, Southampton (NOC) •UK Research & Innovation (UKRI). To respond to this opportunity please click here: <https://ukri.delta-sourcing.com/respond/YEK5V699B6>

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## **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-026036](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

9 January 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Houlder Limited

Leytonstone House, 3 Hanbury Drive

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NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

04400298

Internet address

<https://www.houderltd.com>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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