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Contract

HR Agency Services

VisitScotland

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-028b98

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

VisitScotland

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Telephone

+44 1314722222

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.visitscotland.org>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00118

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Marketing/Tourism

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

HR Agency Services

Reference number

VSEH20004

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

VisitScotland and its Affiliates has established a framework of six recruitment agencies to help source candidates for vacant roles (fixed term and permanent) across the organisation.

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: £360,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79414000 - Human resources management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - SCOTLAND

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

VisitScotland and its Affiliates has established a framework of six recruitment agencies to help source candidates for vacant roles (fixed term and permanent) across the organisation.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

VSEH20002

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

5 January 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 20

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 20

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Eden Scott

26 St Andrew Square

Edinburgh

EH2 1AF

Telephone

+44 1315501147

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

FPSG

33 Bothwell Street, GLASGOW

GLASGOW

G2 6NL

Telephone

+44 1412705003

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Reed Specialist Recruitment Limited

Academy Court, 94 Chancery Lane

London

WC2A 1DT

Telephone

+44 7949066299

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - LONDON

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Badenoch & Clark

20 Blythswood Square

Glasgow

G2 4BG

Telephone

+44 7727613114

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM82 - Glasgow City

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Hays Specialist Recruitment Ltd

4th Floor, City Tower, Piccadilly Plaza

Manchester

M1 4BT

Telephone

+44 1612363553

Fax

+44 2085253489

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lorien Resourcing Ltd

Randolph House, 4 Charlotte Lane

Edinburgh

EH2 4QZ

Telephone

+44 2039100059

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £360,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £360,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:641579)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sheriff Clerk's Office

27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

VisitScotland incorporated a minimum of 10 calendar day standstill period at the point when information on the award of the contract was communicated to tenderers. This period allowed unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the Contracting Authority before the contract was entered into. Applicants had 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request additional debriefing and that information had to be provided a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information could be required from Eileen O'Neill as determined at Point I.1 of this notice. If an appeal regarding the award of contract had not been successfully resolved The Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rule to take action in the Sheriff Court or Court of Session. Any such action must be brought promptly (generally within 3 months). Where a contract has not been entered into the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may only award damages. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow parties to apply to the Courts to set aside award decision before the contract is entered into.

