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Contract

Project 35629 Smart Environmental Regulation Programme (SERP)

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-039844

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Project 35629 Smart Environmental Regulation Programme (SERP)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72421000 - Internet or intranet client application development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Smart Environmental Regulation Programme (SERP) will transform digital and IT capabilities for regulatory activities within Defra and its ALBs. The programme combines 4 programmes:

Regulatory Services Programme - Environment Agency

Waste Tracking - DEFRA Programme

Collection & Packaging Reforms - DEFRA Programme

Environment Monitoring & Planning Programme - DEFRA Programme

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: £50,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Across the group there are many legacy systems that underpin these activities that need replacing, as well as new statutory requirements, as outlined in the Environment Act 2021, that need implementing. Historically, there has been a disparate approach to Service and Platform development. However, across the digital programmes, there is an opportunity to develop generic digital capabilities that can be re-used to enable a more consistent technical architecture, efficient and quicker means of delivery.

Generic platforms can include the determination and management of permit and registrations, charging, compliance, enforcement, data storage and analytics, as well as externally facing digital services for the ability to manage online accounts, to apply, submit returns and tracking data online.

As different programmes are at different stages of development, with some in Beta/Live, others in Discovery, Defra is keen to work collaboratively with a provider to shape Statements of Work to implement capabilities.

Defra was seeking to partner with a Microsoft Gold build partner to configure Power Platform & Azure technologies with experience in the delivery of:

- o Power platform & Azure based developments, integrations & migrations
- o Power Portal implementations with GDS approvals in place
- o Azure Data Services including AI based analytics.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Two year contract period with a six month optional extension period only.

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:

The Procurement was competed via the Crown Commercial Service RM1043.7 Digital Outcomes and Specialists 5 Framework Agreement, therefore prior publication was not required as Government Framework Agreement was used. There was not an option on this system that allowed us to select 'Government Framework' call-off as the 'Type of Procedure'.

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

Contract No

ecm_66498

Title

Project 35629 Smart Environmental Regulation Programme (SERP) Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Hitachi Solutions Europe Limited

EC2N 4AY

London

EC2N 4AY

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

04924233

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: £50,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £50,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Body

N/A

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>