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Contract

**59880**

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

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**NUTS code**

UK - UNITED KINGDOM

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

59880

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 73110000 - Research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

59880

#### **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: £59,880

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

The EU REACH Regulation transformed the regulation of chemicals within the EU, providing detailed rules governing the use of chemicals. It therefore impacts not only on manufacturers and importers of chemicals, but also on the myriad downstream user sectors. At the same time, REACH is a key pillar in achieving a high level of protection for human health and the environment and has clearly delivered benefits. It directly regulates chemical

use through the processes of registration (and evaluation), restriction and authorisation (including the Candidate List). These requirements are retained in UK REACH, which will also retain some of the other the key principles of EU REACH, including “no data, no market”, the different REACH roles (including ORs) and PPORD. In contrast though, there will be no SIEF formation requirements although, a pre-registration substance inquiry system has been developed to facilitate the principle of “once substance one registration”. There are obviously also modifications to REACH processes to customise them to the domestic context. Although the UK has committed to following EU REACH in the short term, it has not made a long-term commitment to regulatory alignment.

Importantly, the direct regulatory requirements of REACH represent only part of the total burden on companies. Concerns regarding regulatory compliance and security of supply have been raised by companies, as have the potential new costs of UK REACH for supply chains. These may be exacerbated at present due to the additional pressures and impacts that Covid-19 have placed on some key chemicals using sectors.

As UK REACH comes into force in January 2021, it is necessary to develop a UK REACH Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) Strategy. This will involve a scoping phase to pull together existing evidence regarding the implementation of REACH, setting out UK REACH’s objectives, intended outcomes and operational mechanisms and utilising the outputs of this phase to design a M&E framework that will enable decision makers and stakeholders to gather and analyse evidence to answer key evaluation questions

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

Price

## **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

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## **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:

This procurement is a sub-Ojeu and moreover a Research and Development Project (R&D).

Hence, this does not fall under the EU Regulations. However, to ensure fairness and transparency; competitive tender process was undertaken as sub-ojeu.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

25 September 2020

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

Number of tenders received: 4

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

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

Risk & Policy Analysts

1 Beccles Road Loddon Norfolk

Norfolk

NR14 6LT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £59,880

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

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