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Contract

Automated Benchmarking and Red Line Knowledge Identification (Bio)

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-043545

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Automated Benchmarking and Red Line Knowledge Identification (Bio)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

AI Research requiring Automated benchmarking and red line knowledge identification

(Bio)

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: £289,800

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- US - United States

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

AI Research requiring Automated benchmarking and red line knowledge identification

(Bio)

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

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:

Award of a Contract without prior publication of a call for competition in accordance with PCR2015 Regulation 32 (2)(b)(ii) competition is absent for technical reasons. The services can only be supplied by Ginkgo Bioworks, owing to technical reasons.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 January 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ginkgo Bioworks

Boston

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £289,800

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department of Science, Innovation and Technology

London

Country

United Kingdom