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Contract

UKRI-3988 EPSRC Evaluations - Lot 2 - AI Investments

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04d752

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK14 - Swindon

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.ukri.org/>

Buyer's address

WWW.UKRI.ORG

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-3988 EPSRC Evaluations - Lot 2 - AI Investments

Reference number

UKRI-3988

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 71621000 - Technical analysis or consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Evaluation of EPSRC AI investments between 2013-2029. A 5-year study to be carried out in three phases: 1. A full impact evaluation of past investments from 2013-2024 covering all the above to be carried out in 2024/5. 2. A second assessment of the health of the UK AI ecosystem to be carried out in 2026. 3. A full evaluation which combines all of the above to provide a holistic overview, with an update to include the impact of investments from 2024-2029 to be published in 2029/30.

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: £499,060

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

LONDON

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Criterion 1 / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Criterion 1 / Weighting: 20

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Redacted contract documents will be made available within the next 30 days on the UKRI website at: Procurement contract (transparency) data – UKRI

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:

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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

UKRI-3988

Title

EPSRC Evaluations - Lot 2 - AI Investments

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

14 January 2025

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

Frontier Economics Ltd

Mid City Place, 71 High Holborn

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

National registration number

03752719

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: £500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £499,060

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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