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## **ID 3923282 – DOF General Register Office – Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS**

Department of Finance

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-030179

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Department of Finance

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BT3 9ED

#### **Email**

[SSDadmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:SSDadmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

ID 3923282 – DOF General Register Office – Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS

Reference number

ID 3923282

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

DOF - General Register Office (GRO) is placing this voluntary transparency notice to alert economic operators of its intention to modify

the Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS system used to facilitate the registration of key life events such as Births, Deaths and Marriages in the 25 district registration offices in accordance with Regulation 72 (1) (b) of the Public

Contracts Regulations 2015. This transparency notice does not place any obligation on the Authority to enter into this modification.

#### **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: £2,345,378.80

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

ID 3923282 – DOF General Register Office – Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS. GRO wishes to appoint a suitably experienced Contractor to undertake the support, maintenance and continued development of GeNI and NIROS, including making the portals WCAG compliant. Please see the 'Specification' for further details on this requirement.

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

Quality criterion - Name: As Per the Tender Documents / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: As Per the Tender Documents / Weighting: 40

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial contract period is 3 years, with the option to extend for 2 further periods of 1 year each.

#### **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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

In order to maintain critical business function, GRO require an increase to contract value to ensure continuity of service through to expiry of contract term. The Authority will be relying on Regulation 72(1)(b) Additional works, services or supplies “have become necessary” and were not included in the initial procurement and a change of supplier would not be practicable (for economic, technical or interoperability reasons) and would involve substantial inconvenience/duplication of costs. This modification is to increase the contract value by an additional £401,413.34, and to extend the Contract period for a further 3 years. The revised total contract value following this modification is £2,345,378.80.

#### 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

Notice number: [2024/S 000-026749](#)

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

3 February 2025

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

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London

SE1 9LS

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[enquiries@civica.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@civica.co.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,345,378.80

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £2,345,378.80

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.