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Contract

(NU/1745 - 7) Provision of Strategic Consultancy Services in China

Newcastle University

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-004228

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-032064

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Newcastle University

Newcastle University, Procurement Services, Kingsgate

Newcastle

NE1 7RU

Email

Purchasing@ncl.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKC - North East (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.ncl.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://www.ncl.ac.uk>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

(NU/1745 - 7) Provision of Strategic Consultancy Services in China

Reference number

DN626358

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In order to deliver the UK-China Healthy Ageing Project, NICA requires the services of a Strategic Consultant in Beijing. Currently the role is fulfilled by Xueli (Sherry) Ma, via Ying He, at a rate of £500 plus expenses per day. The last day of this contract is 31 October 2022. Subject to agreement by Xueli Ma, we would like her to continue in this role to work on behalf of the project to build the requisite networks and relationships.

You should provide a dedicated consultant (as a part-time employee) to provide the following services required and premises and management to operate from and for supervision as necessary.

This contract will operate in the Peoples Republic of China.

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: £100,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79200000 - Accounting, auditing and fiscal services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 66170000 - Financial consultancy, financial transaction processing and clearing-house services
- 66523000 - Pension fund consultancy services
- 66121000 - Mergers and acquisition services
- 71241000 - Feasibility study, advisory service, analysis
- 72221000 - Business analysis consultancy services

- 66519600 - Actuarial services
- 79311400 - Economic research services
- 79311410 - Economic impact assessment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical Merit / Weighting: 60%

Cost criterion - Name: Fees / Weighting: 40%

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

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

NU/1745-7

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 October 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Grok Global Services

535 Dean Street, Suite 916 Brooklyn,,

New York, Other (Non-UK), 11217, United States

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - North East (England)

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: £100,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE17RU

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who

have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) within 30 days of knowledge or constructive knowledge of breach.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

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United Kingdom