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Contract

## **Resource Consumption footprint**

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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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://defra.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.html>

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

National or federal Agency/Office

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Resource Consumption footprint

Reference number

itt\_10875

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

- 90700000 - Environmental services

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

Services

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

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- Optimising our use of resources – moving from a linear to a circular business model
- Delivering environmental net gain
- Benefitting people and communities - social value

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- b. the resource consumption footprint will provide the evidence to drive change in buying habits.
- c. by setting a baseline and collecting data, it will allow us to implement CE practises in subsequent years and be able to measure progress and set out our future aspirations.

#### **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: £177,495

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

## Statement of Need

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We are aiming to calculate the resource consumption of our organisation.

By resource consumption we include:

- i) physical / material resources and assets including but not limited to; water, wood, steel, soils etc.
- ii) materials which are bought directly by us and those bought on our behalf.
- iii) exclude the energy directly used by the organisation but we do want to consider embedded (indirect) emissions from energy use across our supply chain.

We will be setting a baseline against which we can take action. We therefore need to be able to record and report reductions against the baseline and demonstrate delivery of goals in resource consumption and circular economy. The approach we seek therefore needs to be repeatable on an annual basis and sensitive enough to record actual changes in our consumption habits.

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

Cost criterion - Name: Accenture UK / Weighting: 75

#### **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**

Open procedure

#### **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: [2022/S 000-031096](#)

#### **IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

## **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**

4 January 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 11

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

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

Accenture UK Ltd

London

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: £177,495

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

The Environment Agency

London

Country

United Kingdom