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Contract

QUB/2010/21A Contract for the Manufacture and Delivery of a Parabolic mirror (Collimator) for the High Accuracy Radial-velocity Planet Searcher 3 (HARPS 3) Spectrograph

Queen's University Belfast

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e6bc

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

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

QUB/2010/21A Contract for the Manufacture and Delivery of a Parabolic mirror (Collimator) for the High Accuracy Radial-velocity Planet Searcher 3 (HARPS 3) Spectrograph

Reference number

QUB/2010/21A

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38622000 - Mirrors

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This procurement comprises the one-off purchase of a collimator parabola for the HARPS3 spectrograph. HARPS3 will be a copy of the ultra-precise radial-velocity spectrograph HARPS located on the 3.6-m ESO telescope at the La Silla Observatory in Chile and the more recent HARPS-N located on the 3.6-m TNG telescope on La Palma. HARPS3 will be installed at the 2.5m Isaac Newton Telescope in La Palma, Canary Islands and it shall be used for the Terra Hunting Experiment – a 10-year study to find Earth-like exoplanets around our nearest Solar-like stars.

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: £160,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38622000 - Mirrors

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Delivery to Cambridge, UK

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This procurement comprises the one-off purchase of a collimator parabola for the HARPS3 spectrograph. HARPS3 will be a copy of the ultra-precise radial-velocity spectrograph HARPS located on the 3.6-m ESO telescope at the La Silla Observatory in Chile and the more recent HARPS-N located on the 3.6-m TNG telescope on La Palma. HARPS3 will be installed at the 2.5m Isaac Newton Telescope in La Palma, Canary Islands and it shall be used for the Terra Hunting Experiment – a 10-year study to find Earth-like exoplanets around our nearest Solar-like stars.

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

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: [2021/S 000-024397](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

QUB/2010/21A

Lot No

1

Title

Contract for the Manufacture and Delivery of a Parabolic mirror (Collimator) for the High Accuracy Radial-velocity Planet Searcher 3 (HARPS 3) Spectrograph

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 February 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Thales SESO

530 Rue Frederic Joilot, 13593 Aix-en-Provence, France

Aix-en-Provence

Country

France

NUTS code

- FRL - Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £200,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £160,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

This authority 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 Contract Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102) 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).