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Contract

News Aggregation

BANK OF ENGLAND

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0445e2

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

BANK OF ENGLAND

Threadneedle Street

LONDON

EC2R8AH

Email

corporate.contracts@bankofengland.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.bankofengland.co.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

News Aggregation

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79980000 - Subscription services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Contract award to Factiva for licences for an online news aggregator service

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: £208,765.83

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Online news aggregator service providing 30 licences for Factiva Professional, 11 licences for Factiva Executive and 200 licences for Factiva Copyright, to be used by Researchers, Analysts, Communication professionals and Information professionals within the Bank.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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:

Factiva are the only supplier that can provide all three of the required services. Factiva are owned by Dow Jones, who are owned by News Corp. Factiva therefore have exclusive rights to Dow Jones and News Corp publications such as the Times and Sunday Times. The Bank is required to access News Corp publications as part of the news aggregator service.

Regulation 32(1)(b)(ii) allows a direct award on the basis that only Factiva can provide the service due to the protection of exclusive rights.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

9 August 2023

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

Factiva Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

03773253

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: £208,765.83

Total value of the contract/lot: £208,765.83

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court, Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom