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# Award ERIS SLES Marketplace Platform

ENERGY SYSTEMS CATAPULT LIMITED

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

### **Region code**

UKG31 - Birmingham

#### **Companies House**

08705784

### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://es.catapult.org.uk/

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Environment

# Section II: Object

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

ERIS SLES Marketplace Platform

Reference number

ESC/21/192

#### 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

Working together with LAs, Energy Systems Catapult (ESC) has developed a prototype platform that brings together the key components of a SLES Marketplace platform that can guide LAs through the stages needed to deliver complex smart local energy projects.

#### 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: £999,999

## **II.2)** Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

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#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

1 year

# **Section IV. Procedure**

## **IV.1)** Description

### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

• New works/services, constituting a repetition of existing works/services

Explanation:

We are making an extension under Reg 72 to the procurement exercise for these reasons;

IBM have been providing services so far to a satisfactory standard Over the course of the last ~2 years, considerable project-specific knowledge &experience has been built up within the project team.

There would be a substantial risk of disruption to operations arising from a sudden change in service provider.

Completing a tender process & full handover within the timeframes is not practical & would further increase this risk.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# 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

11 November 2021

### 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

IBM UK Ltd

Portsmouth

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

**Companies House** 

741598

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: £999,999

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £999,999

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.3) Additional information

IBM are providing maintenance & technical support services for the Net Zero Go & Net Zero Market projects.

The original procurement exercise was for £1m and the spend to date is at £970k - with another year left to run on the maintenance element.

The current quote for a continuation of maintenance services covering both platforms for FY24/25, is £250k across a 12-month period.

We are therefore making an extension to the procurement exercise from  $\pounds 1m$  to  $\pounds 1.25m$  under Reg 72.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

### VI.4.1) Review body

**Royal Courts of Justice** 

London

Country

United Kingdom