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195319.05

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

195319.05

Reference number

1000162825

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79980000 - Subscription services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

WEB OF SCIENCE, INSPEC - WEB OF SCIENCE PERPETUAL LICENSE SUB,
CHINESE SCIENCE CITATION DATABASE, CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS and
DERWENT INNOVATIONS INDEX.

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: 195,319.05 USD

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79980000 - Subscription services

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: 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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to restricted procedure
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

- absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl) CBRISS Commercial Team, which is part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence (UK MOD), is intending to place a Contract with Clarivate Analytics (UK) Ltd for the subscription renewal of the Web of Science digital platform which provides a single destination to access reliable, integrated, multidisciplinary scientific research. This renewed subscription will be for 1 year.

It is considered that this contract can be awarded using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice in accordance with Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for Technical Reasons. This is because competition is absent, as only Clarivate Analytics UK Ltd provide a digital platform that meets the UK MOD's requirements.

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- Russian Science Citation Database
- Derwent Innovations Index

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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/concession

Contract No

1000162825

Title

Renewal of Web of Science

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

20 April 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

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: 195,319.05 USD

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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