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Award

The charter of a research vessel

University of Exeter

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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

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The charter of a research vessel

Reference number

UOE/2022/037/SB

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60653000 - Hire of boats with crew

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The University is seeking to charter a research vessel to undertake a 28-day research cruise to the North Sea, North Atlantic and north Icelandic shelf in order to collect shallow sediment cores, bivalve mollusc shell and supporting environmental datasets as part of the ERC SEACHANGE Project. The departure port is Southampton and the arrival port Reykjavik.

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: £379,167

II.2) Description**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 60653000 - Hire of boats with crew

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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- Seabird 911 stainless steel CTD with altimeter and Niskin 20 litre water bottles
- Megacorer with USBL positioning, 12 tube (3 sets of 0.5 m tubes), 2 plunger systems, liner racks for 24 tubes
- 12m piston corer with USBL positioning
- 3m gravity corer with USBL positioning
- Core splitter table

- 24-tooth steel box Arctica dredge (x2)
- 20' reefer container
- Winch with pennant wire
- Topas sub-bottom profiler
- EM710 Multibeam echosounder (swath bathymetry)
- 2*-20 Freezer for scientific use
- 1* Fridge for sample storage
- Vessel must be available from 16/04/2022 to 16/05/2022
- Accommodation for science party of 25 in single cabins
- Seminar room
- 24 hour working pattern

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: Yes

Identification of the project

This procurement receives funding under the European Union's Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme under the grant agreement No 856488). The EU is however not participating as a contracting authority in this procurement

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- 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:

The research vessel has the necessary capabilities to undertake the required research and deliver the necessary outputs. The cruise dates are the only ones compliant with the needs of the research project.

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

Title

The charter of a research vessel

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 March 2022

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

National Oceanographic Centre

Southampton

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

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: £379,167

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Court of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom