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Award

MoD Defence Safety Authority BowTie Risk Management Software Application

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/defence-safety-authority>

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**

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Reference number

700120317

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72261000 - Software support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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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: £2,000,000

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: 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

II.2.14) Additional information

£400k per annum over 5 years. Total Value of £2M

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:

The BowTieXP Risk Management (RM) software is supplied to the MOD under licence by CGE Risk Management Solutions B.V, and the current contract provides support and maintenance including security patches and version updates to avoid obsolescence. This specific software is used across the Defence Safety Authority (DSA) and underpins both the Military Aviation Authority's (MAA) and the Defence Air Environment's (DAE) RM

processes and manages air safety hazards that pose a Risk to Life (RtL) to serving personnel. The current software has been onboarded to MODNet in accordance with JSP604. The existing contract with CGE Risk Management Solutions B.V ends on the 30 September 2024. The Director General for the DSA on behalf of the Secretary of State for Defence intends to award a 4 year + 1 contract to CGE Risk Management Solutions B.V for the continued support and maintenance of the BowTie XP software.

In accordance with the provisions of The Public Procurement (Amendment etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 SI No. 2020/1319, this procurement falls under the provisions of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 as amended (in particular by SI 2020/1319). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (in accordance with the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the PCR 2015 as competition is absent for technical reasons.

As creator of the software CGE Risk Management Solutions B.V. is the only company who can provide the security patches and version updates required to ensure the software remains up to date and secure, in accordance with the requirements of Defence cyber security policy. This is therefore the only way to ensure that the current MOD software continues to be supported and does not become obsolete. Degradation of current software due to a lack of technical support would leave MOD increasingly vulnerable to cyber-attack would have a gradual detrimental impact on a Duty Holder's ability to manage RtL within their area of responsibility. In addition, as the existing BowTieXP software is integrated into robust and effective RM processes across the DSA and DAE, it would also affect the MAA's ability to assure the DAE's RM processes.

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

Contract No

TBC

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 March 2024

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

CGE Risk Management Solutions B.V.

Lange Vijverberg 3 2513 AC The Hague The Netherlands

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Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL33 - South Holland

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: £2,000,000

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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