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Contract

UKRI-2630 Provision of WBD science operations support for the Cluster Mission

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-2630 Provision of WBD science operations support for the Cluster Mission

Reference number

UKRI-2630

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 73110000 - Research services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Provision of archiving services for a a data set of the Joint Science Operations Centre for the Cluster mission.

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: 139,194 EUR

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Cluster is a European Space Agency mission, consisting of 4 identical satellites orbiting in free formation to examine the interaction of the Sun with the Earth's magnetic field. The supplier is appointed to provide specialist archiving activities for one of the Cluster data sets.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

This is awarded under Regulation 32. Contract Change Control Notice. Original contract value is €99,220. New contract value is €139,194.

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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The effective and timely delivery of WBD Cluster science operations support work requires the use of

hardware (both computing hardware and engineering models of their instrument), software, procedures,

interfaces, detailed instrument knowledge, documentation and operational expertise developed by Sheffield University (who generated the largest part of this) and the University of Iowa from the early 1990s. All of this is Intellectual Property which belongs to these organisations.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

4 April 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

University of Sheffield

Frith Court, Western Bank

Sheffield

S10 2TN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE32 - Sheffield

National registration number

RC000667

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: 139,194 EUR

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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