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Contract

## **ID 5299226 TEO - Equality Commission for Northern Ireland - ICT Support Services Equality House**

Equality Commission for Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-044aec

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Equality Commission for Northern Ireland

Equality House, 7-9 Shaftsbury Square

n/a

BT2 7DP

#### **Email**

[information@equalityni.org](mailto:information@equalityni.org)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

ID 5299226 TEO - Equality Commission for Northern Ireland - ICT Support Services  
Equality House

Reference number

ID 5299226

#### **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**

The Executive Office - Equality Commission for Northern Ireland - ICT Support Services  
for Equality House

#### **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: £264,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

The Executive Office - Equality Commission for Northern Ireland - ICT Support Services for Equality House

#### **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

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## **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

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

There are derogations under the regulations to award a contract to a single supplier where the supplies or services can only be supplied by a particular supplier for the following reason:-

i) in cases of extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseen or attributable to the contracting authority, where the time limits for the open, restricted or competitive procedures with negotiation cannot be complied with (regulation 32(2)(c)).

Due to unforeseen circumstances the Equality Commission will be without IT support from the end of March and it would not be possible to complete a competitive tender exercise given the timescales involved. This award is for a short term DAC (for a period of up to one year) to provide cover until a new service model can be established (either via internal NICS IT service provision or following a competitive tender exercise). The technical complexities

together with the timescales / duration appear to suggest that the contract would not be a viable commercial opportunity for the market.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-009074](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

5 April 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 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**

CYBER SECURITY N.I. LTD

16 Mount Charles

BELFAST

BT7 1NZ

Email

[darren@cybersecurityni.com](mailto:darren@cybersecurityni.com)

Telephone

+44 7824445384

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £264,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £264,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored.. Contractors not delivering on contract. requirements. is a serious matter It means the public. purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory. levels of. contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified. time, they still fail to reach satisfactory. levels of contract performance, the matter will be. escalated to senior management in construction and procurement delivery (CPD) for. further. action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels. within the specified period, this may be. considered grounds for termination of the contract at. your expense as provided for in the Conditions of Contract. In lieu of termination,. CPD may. issue a Notice of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. A supplier in. receipt of multiple Notices of Written. Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. may, in accordance with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended), be. excluded. from future public procurement competitions for a period of. up to three years

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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