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Contract

DoF Land and Property Services Abbacus Extension DAC 109/23

Department of Finance , Land and Property Services

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department of Finance , Land and Property Services

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StrategicDelivery.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk

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.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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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

This is a Direct Award Contract which will enable the Department of Finance's Land and Property Services to use the current Abbacus solution until the replacement system is implemented. This contract will be for 3 years with an additional contingency of up to 39 x 1 month extension options.

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: £20,253,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72300000 - Data services
- 72268000 - Software supply services
- 72222300 - Information technology services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Additional contingency of up to 39 x 1 month extensions

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

Contract Duration is from 7 April 2024 – 31 December 2026 with the option to extend for an additional period of up to 39 months

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 award of this contract is justified under Regulation 32 (B)(iii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 in that only ITS Computing due to exclusive rights of their IPR can provide support and maintenance to the toolkit that is used to make changes to the Abbacus system. The Abbacus system comprises of a number of components provided by a range of suppliers who are under contract with ITS Computing and each of whom have exclusive rights to their own IPR.

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

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

8 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

iTS Computing Limited

205 Airport Road West

BELFAST

BT3 9ED

Email

Christopher.Sheals@its-computing.co.uk

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)

Total value of the contract/lot: £20,253,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contract Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). The authority had incorporated a standstill period before this contract was awarded.