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Contract

Investment in Forests and Sustainable Land Use Phase 2 (IFSLU2) Component 3

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Investment in Forests and Sustainable Land Use Phase 2 (IFSLU2) Component 3

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75211200 - Foreign economic-aid-related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The United Kingdom's Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office ("FCDO") has awarded the Contract for delivery of Component 3 of Investments in Forests and Sustainable Land Use - Phase 2 (IFSLU2) Programme to Palladium International Ltd.

Investments in Forests and Sustainable Land Use - Phase 2 (IFSLU2) is an umbrella International Climate Finance (ICF) programme consisting of 5 components. IFSLU2 is managed by the FCDO's Energy, Climate and Environment Directorate (ECED).

This Contract is for the IFSLU2 Programme Component 3:

Business and market development in the Congo Basin

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: £31,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Supplier must undertake the management and implementation of the Component 3 of Investments in Forests and Sustainable Land Use - Phase 2 (IFSLU2) Programme.

The core objectives for Component 3 are to:

1. Build the capacity of local organisations and institutions (e.g. cooperatives) to provide support and services to improve livelihoods through sustainable land use.
2. Support businesses and entrepreneurs to develop sustainable supply chains, partner with local communities and organisations, and increase readiness for sustainable land use investment.
3. Improve the national enabling environment and access to finance for businesses and communities, to support adoption of and investment into sustainable land use, forest protection and restoration.

For Component 3, the following countries are in scope: the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), the Republic of Congo (ROC), and Cameroon and Gabon.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: Price Per Quality Point (PPQP)

Cost criterion - Name: Total price of evaluated elements / Weighting: Price Per Quality Point (PPQP)

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The start date of the Contract is 1st March 2025, the initial Contract value is up to £31,500,000 with an option to increase its total value and duration based on continued need. The Contract value is exclusive of UK VAT but inclusive of all applicable local taxes.

The end of the initial Contract is 28th February 2030. The Contract has an Extension Option for up to a further 60 months and an increase in additional value of up to a maximum of £35million. There is a Scale up Option (value extension only) up to an additional £15.75 million over the life of the Contract (including the Extension Period).

Therefore, the estimated maximum value of this requirement is up to a maximum of £82.25million and the Contract may run until 2035, if extended.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section IV. Procedure
IV.1) Description**IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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**

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

ecm_7233

Title

Investment in Forests and Sustainable Land Use Phase 2 (IFSLU2) Component 3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

28 February 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Palladium International Ltd

16th Floor, Hylo, 105 Bunhill Row

London

EC1Y 8LZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £31,500,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that this Contract was awarded under Light Touch Regime, however this FTS Notice does not allow for the selection of the correct procedure type. Procedure defined under regulations 74 to 76 of Section 7 Social and Other Specific Services of Chapter 3 Particular Procurement Regimes, Public Contract Regulations 2015 (Light Touch Regime) therefore the Open procedure has been selected.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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