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## **electronic Records Management**

Ministry of Defence - Defence Digital

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-033787

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Ministry of Defence - Defence Digital

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

electronic Records Management

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 48311100 - Document management system

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

**II.1.4) Short description**

Supply of Record Management System

**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: £8,349,416.79

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKK15 - Wiltshire CC

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

Departmental Record Management System, migration of extant records out of existing systems and provision of Application Maintenance and End User Support

### **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**

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Defence Digital, part of the UK Ministry of Defence, is issuing a VTN that it intends to award a three year contract to Micro Focus UK Ltd, to implement a new Records Management System for the Official Domain, to migrate extant records out of the existing systems and for the provision of an Application Maintenance and end user support service. The value of this requirement is £8,349,416.79 (ex VAT).

It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the UK Public Contracts Regulations 2015 for technical reasons.

This is because there is no reasonable substitute Records Management System (which will be based around Micro Focus UK Ltd's Content Management software) that will meet the MoD's key requirements of interoperability between Official and Secret Domains in terms of search functionality and will also allow for planned essential cloud optimisation to ensure enhanced security and environmental benefits are to be met.

Further, in terms of the support element of the proposed award, Micro Focus UK Ltd have the necessary technical know-how and expertise to meet the MoD's requirements, including installing and migrating to a new Records Management System based around their proprietary software and it would be technically impracticable for a third- party supplier to carry out this support and ensure it aligns with the planned cloud optimisation. A third-party supplier even attempting to provide this support in these circumstances would result in disproportionate time delay and cost to the MoD.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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

### **Contract No**

703939450

### **Title**

electronic Records Management

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

13 May 2022

**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**

Micro Focus Software UK Ltd

The Lawn, 22-30 Old Bath Road

Newbury

RG14 1QN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

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: £8,349,416.79

**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Ministry of Defence - Defence Digital, Hardware and Services

MOD Corsham, Westwells Road

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#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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