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Contract

## **Land Facility Decision Support Unit**

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

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov/fcdo/](http://www.gov/fcdo/)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Land Facility Decision Support Unit

**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 purpose of the DSU is to support balanced and evidence-based decision-making by FCDO and the suppliers of the LF in the context of complexity and uncertainty and a

changing operational context. It will support the flexible and adaptive implementation of the LF in focus countries by providing FCDO and suppliers with independent advice and a challenge function, drawing on process evaluations, local insights and ongoing research by others.

The DSU will run for the duration of the LF programme, initially for 7 years broadly covering the same countries in which the LF is operational.

Specific objectives of the DSU are:

1. to support evidence-based, outcome-oriented and VfM-driven decision-making by FCDO and the LF Lead Supplier throughout the inception phase and implementation;
2. to support and enhance effective programme learning and programmatic action in response to that learning;
3. to support and undertake targeted global dissemination based on a joint communications strategy.

The supplier contract will be up to 7 years, subject to break clauses and resource availability.

The total initial budget and contract value for the services to be delivered under this contract is up to £4.5m.

- i. A further £1.5m may become available during the initial contract period, subject to further approvals;
- ii. An additional £2m scale up and/or 3 years extension option will also be available - subject to a business case addendum should the programme have a strong impact and potential to yield better results.

#### **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: £8,000,000

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

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

- 75210000 - Foreign affairs and other services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

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- ii. An additional £2m scale up option will also be available - subject to a business case addendum should the programme have a strong impact and potential to yield better results.

## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: technical / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: commercial / Weighting: 30

Cost criterion - Name: comm / Weighting: 30

## **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract was awarded from April 2024 - December 2030 with an initial contract up to £4.5m (inclusive of all applicable taxes: FCDO programmes are not automatically tax exempt and therefore suppliers will be liable to pay local tax in focus countries)

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## **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**

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**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-019773](#)

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## **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**

22 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**

Abt Britain Limited

207 Old Street

London

EC1V 9NR

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)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £8,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,500,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

FCDO

London

Country

United Kingdom