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Award

202223 2468 - Service Contract - Electron Microscopy

University of Leeds

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Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-014502

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ce42

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKE42 - Leeds

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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Reference number

202223 2468

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 50410000 - Repair and maintenance services of measuring, testing and checking apparatus

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Notice of the INTENT TO AWARD a service contract to the Original Equipment Manufacturer of Electron Microscopy Instrumentation

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: £343,704

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKE42 - Leeds

Main site or place of performance

Leeds

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The contract is to service and maintain a highly specialised piece of scientific equipment, dedicated scanning transmission electron microscope, a suite of only a handful such instruments in existence in the world, by its manufacturer, Nion Company. Given the highly specialised nature of this equipment, and the provision of spare parts service exchanges under this service contract quotation, no provider other than Nion could offer this level of service and maintenance. Nion Company manufactures highly customised and unique electron microscopes, which no third party could service. Specificities of the instrumentation that are currently unique to Nion include: ultra-high vacuum construction, high precision proprietary electronics, ultra-high energy resolution monochromated electron illumination system.

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/concession

Contract No

202223 2468

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 May 2023

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

Nion Company

11511 118th Street NE

Kirkland

98034

Country

United States

NUTS code

• US - United States

National registration number

N/A

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £343,704

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £343,704

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

To view this notice, please click here:

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Courts of England & Wales

Strand

London

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United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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