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Contract

## **CYMRUSOC PROVISION OF A SECURITY OPERATING CENTRE**

Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0394ec

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council

Civic Centre, Castle Street

Merthyr Tydfil

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#### **Telephone**

+44 1685725000

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKL15 - Central Valleys

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.merthyr.gov.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0347](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0347)

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Regional or local 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**

CYMRUSOC PROVISION OF A SECURITY OPERATING CENTRE

Reference number

CS/MTCBC/SOC/001

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72700000 - Computer network services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council is acting as the Contracting Authority on a collaborative procurement to establish a Security Operating Centre (SOC) service on behalf of up to 21 other Welsh Public Sector bodies as listed in the Statement of Requirements as was contained in the ITT. A further competition has been conducted under the Crown Commercial Services (CCS) Cyber Security 3 Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS).

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

**II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Lowest offer: £4,621,500 / Highest offer: £11,579,334.30 taken into consideration

**II.2) Description****II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 72700000 - Computer network services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

Main site or place of performance

At Member Bodies throughout Wales.

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

The CymruSOC project addresses the escalating risk of cyber-attacks on the public sector by providing a dedicated managed service provider to deliver cybersecurity services tailored to the needs of Local Authorities and Fire and Rescue Services in Wales. CymruSOC aims to enhance cyber resilience, readiness and visibility across Wales, supporting the “Defend as One” principle outlined in the 2022 UK National Cyber Strategy. By managing cyber security risks, detecting security events and minimizing the impact of cyber incidents, CymruSOC will strengthen the overall cyber resilience of its members. Additionally, the project aligns with the Welsh Government’s Cyber Action Plan, promoting cyber security awareness and skill development to build a thriving cyber economy. The Contracting Authority is in possession of an Award of Funding in relation to the Cymru Security Operations Centre to fund this requirement. The 21 Member Bodies

are: Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Flintshire County Council, Carmarthenshire County Council, Powys County Council, Pembrokeshire County Council, Denbighshire County Council, Cygnor Sir Ynys Mon, Swansea Council, Wrexham County Borough Council, Caerphilly County Borough Council, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council, Vale of Glamorgan Council, Cyngor Sir Ceredigion County Council, Neath Port Talbot Council, Bridgend County Borough Council, Conwy County Borough Council, Gwynedd Council, Cardiff Council, South Wales Fire and Rescue Service, North Wales Fire and Rescue Service, Mid and West Fire and Rescue Service. The contract will also be available to other public bodies in Wales.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

Member Bodies are permitted to purchase the suppliers SIEM offering.

#### **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**

Restricted 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\_143037

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

2 April 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Socura

14 Sheperdhess Walk

London

NG17LB

Telephone

+44 7593135218

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £3,300,000

Lowest offer: £4,621,500 / Highest offer: £11,579,334.30 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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Country

United Kingdom