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Contract

CON-21-190 Takedown Service

Financial Conduct Authority

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-015666

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02fe9e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Financial Conduct Authority

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E201JN

Email

fcaprocurement@fca.org.uk

Telephone

+44 2070661000

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKI4 - Inner London - East

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.fca.org.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Financial Regulator

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Financial Regulation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

CON-21-190 Takedown Service

Reference number

CON-21-190

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 66152000 - Financial market regulatory services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

: The FCA is looking for an internet services company to provide web scanning and cybercrime disruption services in relation to investment scams that target UK consumers.

The FCA requires services that will support the FCA in its identification and take-down of websites, telephone numbers and social media accounts containing infringing content, with a particular focus on illegal financial promotions of products and services of investments or financial services. We are also looking for the third party to have strong data analytical tools that can carry out proactive monitoring and web scraping on a far reaching, speedy, industrialised basis.

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: £177,648

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKI4 - Inner London - East

Main site or place of performance

Inner London - East

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Almost all firms and individuals offering, promoting or selling financial services or products in the UK have to be authorised or registered by the FCA. It is a criminal offence for an unauthorised person to carry out activities that require FCA authorisation, punishable by up to two years in prison, a fine, or both. Given the risk of serious financial harm to consumers, the promotion of such activities without authorisation is considered by the FCA to be a serious offence.

The FCA currently makes requests for websites, online ads and social media accounts to be removed on an individual basis when these are identified as containing illegal financial promotions in breach of section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 ("FSMA") or which otherwise involve the carrying out, or purported carrying out, of regulated activities without FCA authorisation in breach of section 19 of FSMA. It also carries out its own proactive monitoring on internet search platforms, such as Google, Bing and Yahoo, for content which either constitutes an illegal financial promotion in breach of section 21 FSMA or which otherwise amounts to an activity which requires

II.2.5) Award criteria

Cost criterion - Name: Functional Solution Requirements / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Total Cost of Ownership / Weighting: 30

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

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: <u>2021/S 000-030503</u>

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CON-21-190

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 June 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Second Floor, Old Change House, 128 Queen Victoria Street

London

EC4V 4BJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKI31 - Camden and City of London

National registration number

07861474

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: £177,648

Total value of the contract/lot: £177,648

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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