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Contract

Subsurface Communications and Navigation Network

University of Plymouth

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKK41 - Plymouth

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Main address

<https://www.plymouth.ac.uk/about-us/university-structure/service-areas/procurement>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/97185>

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

Subsurface Communications and Navigation Network

Reference number

EW/UoP/Subsurface/036/022

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 63724000 - Navigation services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Located in the city of Plymouth and the waters in and around Plymouth Sound, the Smart Sound Connect Subsurface (SSCS) project will build on existing Smart Sound Plymouth infrastructure that underpins the National Centre for Coastal Autonomy, to further enhance the UK's position as a leader in the development and application of marine and maritime technologies, knowledge and skills. This procurement seeks to award a contract to partner with the University of Plymouth to install, operate and manage an underwater acoustic communications and navigation network that will link to existing surface assets to create the first truly multi-domain connected offshore environment in the UK.

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: £750,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 63724000 - Navigation services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK41 - Plymouth

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Price - Weighting: 20

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: [2022/S 000-035503](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

Subsurface Communications and Navigation Network

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 May 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Sonardyne Internation Limited

Ocean House, Blackbushe Business Park

Yateley

GU46 6GD

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)

Total value of the contract/lot: £750,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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