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Contract

# **UKRI-3527 NC3R Experimental Design Assistant**

UK Research and Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

**UK Research and Innovation** 

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Swindon

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## Country

**United Kingdom** 

## Region code

UKI - London

## Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ukri.org

Buyer's address

www.ukri.org

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-3527 NC3R Experimental Design Assistant

## II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72212517 - IT software development services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

## II.1.4) Short description

## Experimental Design Assistant software system

### 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: £286,100

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

#### LONDON

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Provision and maintenance of an experimental design assistant software expert system

#### 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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - o protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### Explanation:

Certus developed a bespoke EDA system for NC3Rs and both organisations share intellectual property rights on the software. The EDA system is a continuous iterative development system. The use of alternative providers will create a severe disproportionate technical compatibility problem and severe disruption to the system development. In addition, the investment to onboard an alternative supplier will be significantly more than the continuous development of the existing 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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## V.2) Award of contract

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

23 May 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Certus Technology Associates Limited
Hems Mews, 86 Longbrook Street, Exeter
Devon
EX4 6AP
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Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UKI - London

National registration number

04109464

Internet address

https://www.certus-tech.com/

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £286,100

# **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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