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Contract

UKRI-3527 NC3R Experimental Design Assistant

UK Research and Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-046cc7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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:
 - 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

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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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<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/delta/viewNotice.html?noticeId=865661432>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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