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Award

Future Air Navigation System (FANS) A/B Customisation Database

Ministry of Defence

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-047082

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Future Air Navigation System (FANS) A/B Customisation Database

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 60445000 - Aircraft operating services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Procurement of Agency code for A B database

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: £1,810,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Procurement of Agency code for A B database

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Options for 2 by 1 year

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

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior publication of a contract notice
- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:

- absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The A400M Delivery Team part of the UK Ministry of Defence intends to award up to a 5-year contract for Future Air Navigation System A & B (FANS) to Collins Aerospace (trading as ARINC Inc), to be the Data Service Provider (DSP) on A400M Aircraft.

In accordance with Regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI 2019/697) this contract falls to be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (DSPCR 2011) as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that the award of this contract without prior publication of a contract notice in the UK e-notification service (as required by the relevant legislation) is lawful in accordance with Regulation 16 (1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 due to technical reasons.

The FANS equipment requires a DSP to manage the message transmission to and from each aircraft and the Air Traffic Control in order to be compliant with the Military Aviation Authority, Civil Aviation Authority, Federal Aviation Authority & European Union Aviation Safety Authority flight management regulations. The DSP registers each individual aircraft (a unique ID) on their system, which allows them to recognise the messages sent from and to each aircraft and directs them appropriately. The aircraft onboard system implemented by OCCAR and Airbus, for the UK and other OCCAR Partner Nations, is provided by Collins Aerospace and they have configured FANS on the Airbus A400M Aircraft. The DSP must be the same contractor who has configured FANS as it contains unique elements to the aircraft which cannot be provided by any other contractor.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

706358450

Title

Future Air Navigation System (FANS) A/B DSP

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

12 June 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

ARINC Incorporated

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Annapolis MD

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Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £1,810,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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