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Contract

## **ID 3924628 DFE - Tourism NI - Managed Business Support Services**

Tourism Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-020281

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-032734

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Tourism Northern Ireland

Floors 10-12, Linum Chambers, Bedford Square, Bedford Street

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BT2 7ES

#### **Email**

[SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

ID 3924628 DFE - Tourism NI - Managed Business Support Services

Reference number

ID 3924628

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79411000 - General management consultancy services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Tourism Northern Ireland (TNI) wishes to appoint a Contractor to provide a Managed Business Support Service to the Tourism Industry. It is anticipated that this Contract will

commence in May 2022 for a duration of one year with the option to extend for two further periods of 12 months each.

#### **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: £7,500,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79411100 - Business development consultancy services
- 73220000 - Development consultancy services
- 80500000 - Training services
- 80000000 - Education and training services
- 80510000 - Specialist training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services
- 80530000 - Vocational training services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Project Delivery Team Experience / Weighting: 17.5

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Proposed Methodology for Resourcing Industry Support Advisers / Weighting: 17.5

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Contract Management / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: AC4 Evaluation of Support / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: AC5 Contingency Arrangements / Weighting: 10.5

Quality criterion - Name: AC6 Social Considerations / Weighting: 3.5

Cost criterion - Name: AC7 Total Daily Rate / Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Contract will commence upon the date of Contract award for an initial period of 3 years with the option to extend for two further periods of 2 years each.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **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 000-008346](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

22 July 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

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**

WHOLETSCHOOL SOFTWARE LIMITED

Pearl Assurance House 2 Donegall Square East

BELFAST

BT1 5HB

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £7,500,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The successful Contractor's performance on this Framework will be managed as per the specification. and regularly monitored.. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a Contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the. specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in. CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it. may be grounds for termination of the contract at the Contractor's expense. In lieu of termination they may be issued with a Notice of. Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. A central register of such Notices for supplies and services Contracts will be. maintained and published on the CPD website. Any Contractor in receipt of multiple Notice of Written Warning or Notice of Unsatisfactory. Performance will be required to declare this in future tender submissions for a period of three years from the date of issue of the Notice.. It may also result in the Contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of. Procurement. Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy.

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions. Any challenges are dealt with by the High Court Commercial Division to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the Public Contracts Regulations

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