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Contract

## **Genetically Modified Organisms in Food and Feed for Northern Ireland**

Food Standards Agency

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-021104

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-045a25

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

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

Food Standards Agency

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York

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#### **Contact**

FSA Commercial

#### **Email**

[fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk](mailto:fsa.commercial@food.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKI32 - Westminster

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.food.gov.uk/>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Genetically Modified Organisms in Food and Feed for Northern Ireland

Reference number

FS900109d / C285059

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

Services

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

The designated laboratory will carry out the provision of Services for the National Reference Laboratory for Genetically Modified Organisms in Food and Feed for NI and will play a vital role in protecting consumers against the use of any unauthorised GMO ingredients in food and feed. The NRL will provide specialist advice as requested by the FSA and technical support to the NI enforcement process for food, feed and products thereof. The NRL will also provide support to the official control laboratories for NI for GMO control and will be required to identify and participate at international GMO meetings and networks to build expertise and knowledge in the area.

#### **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: £46,045.40

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

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

- 71900000 - Laboratory services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

[www.food.gov.uk](http://www.food.gov.uk)

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

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This is a 4 year contract with an optional 2 year extension.

The value of the Contract is estimated to be between £0 for 4 years and the total of £78,000 for the total duration, including the 2 year extension. The FSA is not required to take the extension.

### **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

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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: [2024/S 000-015598](#)

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## **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**

1 October 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**

Portal Account Austrian Agency for Health and Food Safety (AGES)

Spargelfeldstraße 191

Wein

1220

Telephone

+43 5055522019

Country

Austria

NUTS code

- AT - Austria

National registration number

FN223056z

Internet address

<https://www.ages.at/en/ages/locations>

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: £1

Total value of the contract/lot: £46,045.40

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Food Standards Agency

Floors 6 and 7, Clive House, 70 Petty France

London

SW1H 9EX

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United Kingdom

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