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Contract

## **STEP Tranche 1 Engineering Delivery Partner**

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-031ab4

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

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

United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

**National registration number**

N/A

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/72814>

**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**

Other activity

Fusion Research

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

STEP Tranche 1 Engineering Delivery Partner

Reference number

T-SP119-21

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

- 73100000 - Research and experimental development services

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

Services

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

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#### **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)**

- 73110000 - Research services

- 73120000 - Experimental development services
- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services
- 73210000 - Research consultancy services
- 73220000 - Development consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 75

Price - Weighting: 25

### **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.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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 000-005144](#)

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

### **Contract No**

13212

### **Title**

STEP Tranche 1 Engineering Delivery Partner

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

3 August 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

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

Atkins Ltd

Woodcote Grover, Ashley Road, Epsom

Epsom

KT18 5BW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ - South East (England)

National registration number

688424

The contractor is an SME

No

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

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,500,000

**V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

UK Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

OX14 3DB

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-atomic-energy-authority>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

UK Atomic Energy Authority

Culham Science Centre

Abingdon

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#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

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Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The authority will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers.

This period allows unsuccessful tenderers to seek further debriefing from the authority before a contract is entered into applicants have 2 working days from the notification of the award decision to request. Additional debriefing and that information have to be provided within a minimum of 3 working days before the expiry of the standstill period. Such additional information should be sought from the contact named in this notice.

If an appeal regarding the award of a contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No. 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

Any such action must be brought promptly.

(generally within 3 months).

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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Culham Science Centre

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