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Contract

ID 5596417 - DoJ - FSNI - Supply, delivery, installation and support of a Benchtop X-Ray Diffraction System

Forensic Science Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e626

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Forensic Science Northern Ireland

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/topics/forensic-science-northern-ireland>

Buyer's address

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/procurement>

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 5596417 - DoJ - FSNi - Supply, delivery, installation and support of a Benchtop X-Ray Diffraction System

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 33111000 - X-ray devices

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

FSNi wish to establish a contract for the supply, installation and maintenance of a new Benchtop X-ray Diffraction System for the identification of explosive samples, their precursors and unknowns, as well as for use in drug analysis.

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: £165,906.30

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33950000 - Clinical forensics equipment and supplies
- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)
- 38430000 - Detection and analysis apparatus
- 38582000 - X-ray inspection equipment

- 51430000 - Installation services of laboratory equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

FSNI wish to establish a contract for the supply, installation and maintenance of a new Benchtop X-ray Diffraction System for the identification of explosive samples, their precursors and unknowns, as well as for use in drug analysis.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 - System Performance / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 - System Delivery and Installation / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 - Contract Management and Reactive Repairs Strategy / Weighting: 15

Cost criterion - Name: AC4 - Total Contract Price / Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will remain in place for an initial period of five years with one optional extension of up to 5 years.

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

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

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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

15 May 2025

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: 1

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

Information withheld for security reasons

N/A

Email

Justice.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

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

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: £170,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £165,906.30

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that information relating to contractors engaged by the Northern Ireland Department of Justice, and associated bodies, is not published in any publicly accessible forum or publication. This is to protect such contractors, whose security and safety could be threatened by dissident terrorist organisations still active in Northern Ireland if their details became known. This is consistent with Regulation 50(6)(a). The contract values listed are broad estimates only and include additional quantum for unforeseen demand and to future proof for additional potential. These values reflect the potential scale of the contract and take into account potential optional extension periods and the uptake of potential optional services as detailed in the tender documents. There is no guarantee of any level of business under this contract. The estimates are not deemed to be conditions of contract nor a guarantee of minimum demand or uptake. No compensation will be payable to a contractor should the actual demand be less than that stated. Contract Monitoring. The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored in line with the tender documentation. 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 regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance can 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 for a period of three years from the date of issue.

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. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued.

N/A

Country

United Kingdom