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Contract

## **ID 4223589 - DE - GTCNI - Registration and Regulation IT Support System**

General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-024204

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-034210

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

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

General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland

Albany House, 73-75 Great Victoria Street

BELFAST

BT2 7AF

#### **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://www.gtcni.org.uk/>

Buyer's address

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

#### **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 4223589 - DE - GTCNI - Registration and Regulation IT Support System

Reference number

ID 4223589

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

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current obligations with regard to the registration and regulation of teachers as set out in the Education (Northern Ireland) Order 1998, Articles 34-41 as amended by the 2003 and 2006 Education (NI) Orders • Allow the GTCNI to respond to current and future business needs • Facilitate a more efficient and proactive role in improving service • Maintain public confidence and trust in the profession.

#### **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: £1,086,391.86

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

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

- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72222000 - Information systems or technology strategic review and planning services
- 72222300 - Information technology 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: Technical Solution / Weighting: 18

Quality criterion - Name: Project Management Implementation / Weighting: 18

Quality criterion - Name: Contract Management and Support and Maintenance / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: Project Team / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Data Migration / Weighting: 6

Quality criterion - Name: Data Protection / Weighting: 3

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

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

After the initial 5 year contract period, there are 2 options to extend for 1 year 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 000-015210](#)

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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**

30 August 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**

FORTESIUM LIMITED

The Old Church 32 Byron Hill Road

HARROW

HA2 0HY

Email

[helpdesk@fortesium.co.uk](mailto:helpdesk@fortesium.co.uk)

Telephone

+44 02033973712

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.fortesium.co.uk/index.html>

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: £1,170,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,086,391.86

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Contract Monitoring. The successful Contractor's performance on this Contract will be managed as per the specification and regularly monitored (see Procurement Guidance Note 01/12 - Contract Management - Procedures and Principles). 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 this Contract may be terminated. 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 a 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 such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures.

UK

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended)... and, where appropriate, will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award.. of contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. This provides time for the.. unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered

into.