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## **ID 4428335 DoF ESS - IT Assist - NI Direct Hosting Infrastructure Support**

DoF Enterprise Shared Services

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-025163

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-0366bb

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

DoF Enterprise Shared Services

Craigantlet Buildings, Stoney Road

BELFAST

BT4 3SX

#### **Email**

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

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

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

Main address

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

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**

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Reference number

ID 4428335

#### **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**

DoF ESS IT Assist is placing this voluntary transparency notice to alert economic operators of its intention to award a contract to provide 12 Months support and maintenance for its equipment and software to ensure Manufacturer and Supplier compliance for the NIDirect VX rail environment.

#### **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: £168,936

**II.2) Description**

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

IT Assist requires DELL to provide 12 months support and maintenance for equipment and software to ensure Manufacturer and supplier compliance for the for the complex NI Direct Hosting Environment ensuring continuity of support between handover of the environment from BT to IT Assist and award of the new Cloud Infrastructure Support and Service contract in accordance with Regulation 32 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended).

**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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The Client is relying on derogation 32(3)(b)(iii) of the PCRs 2015 (as amended) as the supplier owns the propriety rights for the equipment and NI Direct hosting environment.

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

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### Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract/concession

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

7 September 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

DELL Corporation Limited

BRACKNELL

Email

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

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £168,936

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **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 regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contract Regulations 2015 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). The authority will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) before this contract is awarded.