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Contract

ID 3058959 DAERA - Information System for Laboratories in AFBI, NIEA and DAERA (ISLAND)

The Department Of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 3058959 DAERA - Information System for Laboratories in AFBI, NIEA and DAERA (ISLAND)

Reference number

ID 3058959

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

This procurement is for a public Cloud Hosted, Commercial off the Shelf (COTS) Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) for DAERA. This project will replace aging and disparate laboratory IT systems with a single, modern, joined up LIMS in 10 key laboratory areas. The solution will replace existing LIMS in 8 laboratory areas and provide new LIMS in a further 2 laboratory areas. The implementation period is to last no longer than 4 years. Implementation will involve a phased rollout of approximately 2 lab areas every 6 months. Prioritisation of rollout will be agreed with the Authority based on impact several factors, including business as usual and availability of laboratory areas. Implementation will include assisting in business transformation and design, training and the migration of minimum required LIMS data in an organised and secure manner for successful 'day 1' business operation. This includes ensuring the safety, accuracy (e.g. avoiding rounding) and integrity of the migrated data, formulating a migration plan and carrying out the migration in collaboration with the Authority. The Supplier may be required to assist the Authority to cleanse the data as part of the migration exercise. A Laboratory Science Data Enterprise solution will be developed in-house and is not covered by the scope of this project.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

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: Qualitative Criteria / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative Criteria / Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will have an option to extend subject to the terms of the contract and the performance of the successful Economic Operator for 3 years followed by a further 2 optional extension periods of up to 2 years each i.e. 3+2+2

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

Competitive procedure with negotiation

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: [2021/S 000-019042](#)

IV.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

As there remains the needs for these services, it is the intention of the Contracting Authority to commence a new procurement for the provision of the Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS). The new competition is expected to be launched within the very near future and will be available via eTendersNI under CFT - ID 3812536 DAERA - INFORMATION SYSTEMS FOR AFBI NIEA AND DAERA (ISLAND).

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

CPD will comply with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 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.