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Contract

## **DfE - Tourism NI - 2021-22 Capital Funding: Economic Appraisals, Commercial Appraisals and Post Project Evaluations**

Tourism NI

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-026094

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-02abba

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

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

Tourism NI

Linum Chambers, Bedford Square, Bedford Street

BELFAST

BT2 7ES

#### **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://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 3252544

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

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

#### **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: £1,619,000

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

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

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79300000 - Market and economic research; polling and statistics
- 79311410 - Economic impact assessment

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

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

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative / Weighting: 30

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will run for an initial period of 3 years and will contain 2 options to extend for further periods of up to 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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

Please note the budget identified above is the anticipated spend available for the delivery of this contract however, as it is demand led a precise figure cannot be given or guaranteed.

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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: [2021/S 000-009289](#)

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

### **Contract No**

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### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

15 October 2021

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

Number of tenders received: 5

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: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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

PKF-FPM ACCOUNTANTS LTD

Dromalane Mill

NEWRY

BT35 8QS

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[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

Country

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

COGENT MANAGEMENT CONSULTING LLP

169 University Street

BELFAST

BT7 1HR

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[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

PINNACLE GROWTH GROUP LIMITED

42 Bachelors Walk

Lisburn

BT28 1XN

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[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

Country

United Kingdom

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Internet address

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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: £1,619,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,619,000



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored in line with PGN 01/12. 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 Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Certificate of Unsatisfactory Performance will 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 twelve months from the date of issue of the certificate

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

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

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. 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 as amended.

NA

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract was communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.