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Contract

## **Advance Purchase Agreement**

Business Energy and Industrial Strategy

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Business Energy and Industrial Strategy

1 Victoria Street

London

SW1H0ET

#### **Email**

[VTFCContracts@beis.gov.uk](mailto:VTFCContracts@beis.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKI32 - Westminster

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

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-business-energy-and-industrial-strategy>

#### **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Advance Purchase Agreement

Reference number

2611/09/2020

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

- 33651600 - Vaccines

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

Supplies

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

Procurement of the Covid-19 Adjuvanted Pandemic Vaccine.

#### **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

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Procurement of the Covid-19 Adjuvanted Pandemic Vaccine.

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

Price

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

Options: No

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

Contract value is being withheld due to commercial sensitivity (PCR 2015 Reg 50(6)(b) and (c) and FOIA 2000 Section 43). Publication may enable competitors to calculate cost per dose. This will commercially prejudice:

(i) the supplier in its negotiations with other national governments; and

(ii) the contracting authority in negotiations with other vaccine vendors. It may also impact fair competition between vaccine vendors.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons
- Additional deliveries by the original supplier

Explanation:

The award of the contract to Aventis Pharma and GSK is strictly necessary due to absence of competition for technical reasons. Regulation 32 (b)(ii).

Furthermore, this Advance Purchase Agreement is the execution of the previous Capacity Reservation Agreement (Please see linked notice)

#### **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: [2020/S 227-560526](#)

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

### **Contract No**

2611/09/2020

### **Title**

Advance Purchase Agreement

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

20 September 2021

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

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Aventis Pharma Ltd

Thames Valley Park Drive, Reading

Berkshire

RG6 1PT

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals S.A

Rue de l'Institut 89

Rixensart

B-1330

Country

Belgium

NUTS code

- BE - Belgium

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1

Total value of the contract/lot: £1

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Additional information: contract end date is being withheld on grounds that release would be contrary to public interest (Reg 50(6)(a)) and commercial sensitivity (Reg 50(6)(b) and (c)). The date is variable based on production and delivery. Given significant challenges to overcome, the end date may set unrealistic expectation for the public/market. Also, given significant competition to bring to the market a successful vaccine, provision of the contract term is valuable information to competitors that may impact negotiations/future competition.

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

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

Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

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