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Award

ID 3923282 – DOF General Register Office – Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS

Department of Finance

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-030179

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 3923282 – DOF General Register Office – Support and Maintenance of GeNI and NIROS

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, GRO is placing this voluntary transparency notice to alert economic operators of its intention to modify

the value of this contract to facilitate the continued provision of IT Services to support key life registrations in accordance with Regulation 72 (1) (b) of the Public Contracts

Regulations 2015. This transparency notice does not place any obligation on the Authority to enter into this modification.

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: £1,943,965.50

II.2) Description

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: Award Criteria / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial contract period is 3 years, with the option to extend for 2 further periods of 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

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

In order to maintain critical business function, GRO require an increase to contract value to ensure continuity of service through to expiry of contract term. The Authority will be relying on Regulation 72(1)(b) Additional works, services or supplies “have become necessary” and were not included in the initial procurement and a change of supplier would not be practicable (for economic, technical or interoperability reasons) and would involve substantial inconvenience/duplication of costs. The additional works relate to mandatory changes to the NIROS/GeNI platform to ensure the security and the stability of the NIROS and GeNI platforms. This modification is for a total of £647,988.50, giving a revised contract value of £1,943,965.50.

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

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Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

29 March 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

CIVICA UK LTD

South Bank Central, 30 Stamford Street

London

Email

enquiries@civica.co.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

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

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: £1,943,965.50

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

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.