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Contract

## **Visa and Citizenship Application Services (VCAS) - Lot 4**

Secretary of State for the Home Department

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Secretary of State for the Home Department

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London

SW1P 4DF

#### **Contact**

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.gov.uk/home-office](http://www.gov.uk/home-office)

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Public order and safety

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Visa and Citizenship Application Services (VCAS) - Lot 4

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 75110000 - General public services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

The Secretary of State for the Home Department, acting through UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI), is the Authority seeking to procure a global network of Visa and Citizenship Application Service (VCAS) Centres, in support of Home Office activity across both UKVI and Her Majesty's Passport Office (HMPO). This procurement was formerly referred to as Future Supplier Services.

UKVI is responsible for making millions of decisions every year about who has the right to visit or stay in the country, with a firm emphasis on national security and a culture of customer satisfaction for people who come here legally.

UKVI's vision is to be a world-leading immigration service working for a safe and prosperous UK. To that end, two of our key missions are to deliver world-class customer service and to control migration. UKVI's challenge is to transform services in a way that enhances customer experience and controls outcomes.

To achieve this, the VCAS requirements will cover the following activities:

- Provision of VCAS Centres (infrastructure and people)
- Appointment booking
- Priority / added-value services
- Fees
- Identity check and document verification
- Document upload
- Biometric capture
- Digital interviewing
- Vignette services
- HMPO specific requirements
- Complaints and customer insight

The procurement has been divided into 5 geographical lots:

- (1) Africa and Middle East
- (2) Americas, Canada, Australasia and Europe
- (3) China and Taiwan
- (4) Asia and Asia Pacific
- (5) The UK

Through this procurement, VCAS is seeking solutions that will provide continuity of services for customers, global consistency for HO and suppliers, and a foundation to support future transformation delivered by other HO Programmes.

This Award Notice relates to Lot 4 - Asia and Asia Pacific Only.

Further Award Notices will be issued following the Award of all other Lots.

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

#### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £271,000,000

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

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot No

4

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

- 75110000 - General public services

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

NUTS codes

- BD - Bangladesh
- BN - Brunei
- BT - Bhutan
- FJ - Fiji
- ID - Indonesia
- IN - India
- JP - Japan
- KH - Cambodia
- KR - South Korea
- LA - Laos
- LK - Sri Lanka

- MM - Myanmar (Burma)
- MN - Mongolia
- MV - Maldives
- MY - Malaysia
- NP - Nepal
- PH - Philippines
- SG - Singapore
- TH - Thailand
- VN - Vietnam

Main site or place of performance

Asia & Asia Pacific

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

Please see section II.1.4 of this Notice for an overview of the services that will be required in each Lot.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Finance / Weighting: 40

#### **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**

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 000-027270](#)

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

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

Lot 4 - Asia & Asia Pacific

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

30 August 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 3

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

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

VF Worldwide Holdings Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £271,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Public Procurement Review Service

London

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

United Kingdom

