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Barracuda Harmonisation

Police Service of Northern Ireland

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Police Service of Northern Ireland

Belfast

Email

SSDadmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

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

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Barracuda Harmonisation

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

The Police Service of Northern Ireland have a services contract for the emergency services radio communications network in Northern Ireland, this is known as Barracuda.

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: £90,763,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Police Service of Northern Ireland have a services contract for the emergency services radio communications network in Northern Ireland, this is known as Barracuda.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract commenced on 31/10/2001, however the network only became operational in 2005 and was in place

until 31/03/2014. A ten year extension is in place until 31/03/2024. A modification for a 7 year extension was previously approved, taking the contract to 31/03/2031. This modification is to extend the contract for a further 3 years to cover the years 2031-2034, with a revised contract end date of 31st March 2034.

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

To ensure continuity of service to the PSNI for their critical business functions, PSNI require an extension of its original contract for an

additional 3 years while the current technology is upgraded. PSNI will seek to rely on Regulation 72(1)(b) for 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.

This modification is for a total of £8,368,000.00 leading to a revised contract value of £90,763,000.00

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

4 September 2024

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

sensitive information

Sensitive information

Email

SSDadmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

<https://finance-ni.gov.uk>

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: £90,763,000

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

The Public Contract Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have... been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).. The. authority will incorporate a standstill period (i.e. a minimum. of 10 calendar days) before this contract is awarded