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Planning

UKRI-2830 - BAS Antarctic Bases and Ship Satellite Internet Connectivity

UK Research & Innovation

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Scientific Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-2830 - BAS Antarctic Bases and Ship Satellite Internet Connectivity

Reference number

UKRI-2830

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Satellite data connectivity for British Antarctic Survey vessels and stations. Engagement is sought with suppliers as to options for connectivity.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 64214100 - Satellite circuit rental services
- 32530000 - Satellite-related communications equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- AQ - Antarctica

Main site or place of performance

Antarctica

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The British Antarctic Survey (BAS) operates 5 Antarctic stations and the research vessel the RRS Sir David Attenborough. To ensure safe, efficient operation data connectivity is required. Due to the remote locations, satellite data services are required. Currently services are provided through a VSAT connection, however with the evolution of service options (i.e. Low Earth Orbit (LEO) connections) BAS is looking at options for future services including VSAT/LEO/Bandwidth Management and WAN integration and proposals for alternative options.

II.2.14) Additional information

A remote industry engagement event via Zoom, is to be held on 20th October at 10am - 12pm to set out our requirements, indicative timetable and to encourage input from industry as to likely options and solutions and potential costs. Interested attendees should email BASProcurement@ukri.org for an invitation and link for attendance.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

1 March 2024

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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