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Contract

## **ID 5087997 - DoJ - FSNI - Supply and Delivery of Laboratory Consumables**

Forensic Science Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-029311

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0451d4

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

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

Forensic Science Northern Ireland

c/o CPD, 303 Airport Road West

Belfast

BT3 9ED

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

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

Main address

<https://www.justice-ni.gov.uk/topics/forensic-science/forensic-science-northern-ireland>

Buyer's address

<https://www.finance-ni.gov.uk/topics/procurement>

## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Body governed by public law

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

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

ID 5087997 - DoJ - FSNI - Supply and Delivery of Laboratory Consumables

Reference number

ID 5087997

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

Supplies

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

Forensic Science Northern Ireland (FSNI) is seeking to establish a contract for the supply and delivery of laboratory consumables. FSNI is an Executive Agency within the Department of Justice, providing a wide range of scientific services and expertise to assist in the investigation of crime and the presentation of scientific evidence in court. The Agency is an operationally independent organisation that provides a full range of forensic science services through its operational casework sections to its main customers, the Police Service of Northern Ireland, the Police Ombudsman for Northern Ireland, the NI State Pathologist as well as a number of other customers in NI and further afield. FSNI's requirements vary greatly, therefore for the purposes of this contract, the requirements have been split into Lots as follows: Lot 1 – Lab ware Equipment and Consumables, Lot 2 – ETO / Gas Treated Products, Lot 3 – Chemicals and Solvents, Lot 4 – Lab Cleaning and Decontamination Materials, Lot 5 – Packaging, Lot 6 – Pipettes and Tips and Lot 7 – Crime Scene Material and Consumables. It is anticipated this contract will commence upon award and will remain in place for a total period of 3 years with the option to extend for a period up to and including twenty-four (24) months.

#### **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: £1,200,000

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 1 – Labware Equipment and Consumables

Lot No

1

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

### **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: Four qualitative criteria / Weighting: 35

Price - Weighting: 65

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract will remain in place for an initial period of 3 years with the option to extend for a period up to and including twenty-four 24 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 2 – ETO / Gas Treated Products

Lot No

2

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Description of options

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 3 – Chemicals and Solvents

Lot No

3

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Description of options

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 4 – Lab Cleaning and Decontamination Materials

Lot No

4

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 5 – Packaging

Lot No

5

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Price - Weighting: 65

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

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### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 6 – Pipettes and Tips

Lot No

6

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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Price - Weighting: 65

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

This contract will remain in place for an initial period of 3 years with the option to extend for a period up to and including twenty-four 24 months.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

Lot 7 – Crime Scene Material and Consumables

Lot No

7

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

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

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#### **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**

Open procedure

#### **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: [2024/S 000-011983](#)

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

### **Contract No**

1

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Lot 1 – Labware Equipment and Consumables

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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

Information withheld for security reasons

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £200,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £200,000

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

### **Contract No**

2

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Lot 2 – ETO / Gas Treated Products

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

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

### **Contract No**

3

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

Lot 3 – Chemicals and Solvents

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £225,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £225,000

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

### **Contract No**

4

### **Lot No**

4

### **Title**

Lot 4 – Lab Cleaning and Decontamination Materials

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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

### **Contract No**

5

### **Lot No**

5

### **Title**

Lot 5 – Packaging

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £175,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £175,000

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

### **Contract No**

6

### **Lot No**

6

### **Title**

Lot 6 – Pipettes and Tips

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £200,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £200,000

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

### **Contract No**

7

### **Lot No**

7

### **Title**

Lot 7 – Crime Scene Material and Consumables

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

9 September 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 7

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £150,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Please note that information relating to contractors engaged by the Northern Ireland Department of Justice, and associated bodies, is not published in any publicly accessible forum or publication. This is to protect such contractors, whose security and safety could be threatened by dissident terrorist organisations still active in Northern Ireland if their details became known. This is consistent with Regulation 50(6)(a).. . The contract values listed are broad estimates only and include additional quantum for unforeseen demand and to future proof for additional potential. These values reflect the potential scale of the contract and take into account potential optional extension periods and the uptake of potential optional services as detailed in the tender documents. There is no guarantee of any level of business under this contract. The estimates are not deemed to be conditions of contract nor a guarantee of minimum demand or uptake. No compensation will be payable to a contractor should the actual demand be less than that stated.. . Contract Monitoring. The successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored in line with the tender documentation. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying

for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance can result in the Contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of Procurement Expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of three years from the date of issue..

## **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.

N/A

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, and incorporated a standstill period (i.e a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the awards of the contracts was communicated to tenderers. Those notifications provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award. decision before the contracts were entered into.