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Awarded contract

Micro Focus Cobol Support

Crown Office and Procurator Fiscal Service

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00292

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

National or federal Agency/Office

I.5) Main activity

Social protection

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Micro Focus Cobol Support

Reference number

COPFS-2021-057

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72261000 - Software support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a Contract Award Notice following a published VEAT Notice for COPFS' Management Information System (PROMIS). A 1+1 contract is awarded to Micro Focus for the support and maintenance of the Micro Focus Cobol system in order to ensure continuity of service of PROMIS. Cobol is a legacy procedural programming language used globally across public and private sector business IT solutions. It is used by COPFS to compile and run PROMIS. The COPFS version of PROMIS runs only using Micro Focus Cobol.

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: £103,821

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of the contract is annual support and maintenance renewal of MicroFocus Cobol. Cobol is a legacy procedural programming language used globally across public and private sector business IT solutions. It is used by COPFS to compile and run Inslaw's Prosecutors Management Information System (PROMIS). The COPFS version of PROMIS runs only using Micro Focus Cobol.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

II.2.14) Additional information

The MicroFocus Cobol Server software continues to be critical to the operation of the COPFS case management systems. MicroFocus Cobol is used to run and compile the PROMIS application that enables COPFS to manage and progress cases through the judicial system. It is a business-critical software component available only from the stated supplier.

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

Explanation:

The scope of the contract is annual support and maintenance renewal of MicroFocus Cobol. It is used to compile and run the Management Information System (PROMIS). COPFS PROMIS runs only using Micro Focus Cobol. As part of its Digital Strategy, COPFS intends replacing this software with Open Source software solutions, removing the need to purchase licences from MicroFocus. The work involved is complex and has to be resourced, planned and change managed carefully. This work has to be managed around COVID-19 pandemic, RRT and delivery of other corporate priorities. This award allows COPFS to contract for the shortest possible time.

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

Contract No

COPFS-2021-057

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 November 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 0

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Micro Focus Software UK Limited

22-30 Old Bath Road

Newbury

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £103,821

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sheriff Clerk's Office

PO Box 23, 1 Carlton Place

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