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## **DFC NMNI Museum and Archive Grade Large Format Book and Table Scanners**

Department for Communities - National Museums NI

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

Department for Communities - National Museums NI

153 Bangor Road, Cultra

Holywood

BT18 OEU

#### **Email**

[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **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**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

DFC NMNI Museum and Archive Grade Large Format Book and Table Scanners

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

- 30000000 - Office and computing machinery, equipment and supplies except furniture and software packages

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

Supplies

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

National Museums NI is awarding a four year DAC for a Museum and Archive Grade Large Format Book and Table Scanner. The estimated value of the four year DAC is £127,043.75.

#### **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: £127,043.75

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

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

NMNI has a duty to open up access to the national collection. Digitisation of the collections through photography and scanning is a key enabler and must be carried out to a high specification. A majority of the material, books, maps, herbarium specimens and plans are larger than standard off-the-shelf scanners can accommodate. The addition of the requirement to treat books with care to preserve delicate spines means the equipment required is highly specialised. NMNI have identified Zeutschel A2+ books scanners as the most appropriate for scanning the archival material and herbarium specimens. The Zeutschel OS16000 Advanced Plus HQ has a high resolution not readily available plus the unique ability to optically zoom during scanning which will prove invaluable in herbarium scanning where very small details need to be captured.

### **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**

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:

NMNI will rely on a derogation in this case (specifically Reg .32 2 b ii and iii) due to technical reasons as Genus IT is the sole UK Zeutschel and SMA products distributor of these highly specialised book and optical zoom scanners which will allow for extremely detailed image capture.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **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**

2 December 2021

#### **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**

Genus IT

The Genus Building, Hammond Close, Nuneaton,

Warwickshire

CV11 6RY

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[ssdadmin@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin@finance-ni.gov.uk)

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: 127,043.75 GIP

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## **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

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#### **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 incorporates a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) before this contract is awarded..