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# DOJ DAC 22/21 - NICTS QAS PRO

Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service

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# Section I: Contracting authority/entity

## I.1) Name and addresses

Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service

Laganside House, 23 – 27 Oxford Street

**BELFAST** 

BT1 3LA

#### **Email**

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

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

## II.1.1) Title

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### 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

NICTS are awarding a five year DAC for the QAS Pro software that is integrated with their ICOS system. The estimated value of the five year DAC is £354,637.50 for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2026.

### 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: £354,637.50

## II.2) Description

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

• 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

NICTS are awarding a five year DAC for the QAS Pro software that is integrated with their ICOS system. The estimated value of the five year DAC is £354,637.50 for the period 1 January 2022 – 31 December 2026. During this period the NICTS will embark on an ambitious Modernisation Programme that will create a new comprehensive case management system that will include the provision of a data cleansing solution. It is expected that the new system will be fully live by December 2026.

### 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

## 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:
  - o protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

## Explanation:

NICTS will rely on a derogation, in this case 32 (2) (b) (iii), as the Contractor hold exclusive rights to the software currently in use by Northern Ireland Courts and Tribunals Service (NICTS).

## 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

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

Sensitive information

**BELFAST** 

Email

ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address

## www.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: £354,637.50

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