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## **AWE-4G LTE Network and Associated Services**

Ministry of Defence

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

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

Ministry of Defence

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##### **Email**

[judit.marriott109@mod.gov.uk](mailto:judit.marriott109@mod.gov.uk)

##### **Country**

United Kingdom

##### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

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

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

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

Defence

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

AWE-4G LTE Network and Associated Services

Reference number

702414455-1

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

- 48510000 - Communication software package

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

Supplies

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

4G LTE Network and Associated Services

#### **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: £466,489.30

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

4G LTE Network and Associated Services

#### **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

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated procedure without publication of a contract notice

- No tenders or no suitable tenders/requests to participate in response to negotiated procedure with prior publication of a contract notice
- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development

Explanation:

UK MoD, Army Headquarter, by the Army Warfighting Experiment (AWE) programme intend to award a contract to Kinected Solution Ltd for the provision of a Rugged Private LTE with fully integrated embedded edge compute and embedded mesh backhaul capability. The AWE is the way the Army conducts large-scale Research and Experimentation. Army needs to upgrade its experimental network to support the AWE series by the 1st March 2022. Kinected Solution Ltd is the only known supplier of a Rugged Private LTE with fully integrated embedded edge compute and embedded mesh backhaul capability, which can meet the AWE Urban Series March 2022, 4G LTE technology requirement.

DSPCR, Regulation 16 (1) (c) (i) Research and Development (R&D) applies. Any future Army operational capability fulfilment will be subject to a formal competition.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

702414455-1

### Title

AWE-4G LTE Network and Associated Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

14 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**

Kinected Solutions Ltd

Barnstaple

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £466,489.30

### **V.2.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

MoD

Andover

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

MoD

Andover

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

MoD

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Country

United Kingdom