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Contract

## **Due Diligence Evidence Gaps**

Defra Network eTendering Portal

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040f65

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

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

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17 Nobel House

London

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#### **Contact**

Erica Collins

#### **Email**

[erica.collins@defra.gov.uk](mailto:erica.collins@defra.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Environment

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

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Reference number

C15915

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

Services

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

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#### **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: £149,500

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

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

- 73200000 - Research and development consultancy services
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#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Nobel House  
London

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

We are buying targeted research to address critical research gaps and inform the design of forthcoming due diligence provisions within the Environment Act to end commodity-driven forest loss and land clearance through transitioning to sustainable supply chains, supporting producer-country efforts to protect their forests and raising global ambition to drive change at scale. This work builds upon existing analysis and is required to inform policy development and delivery.

#### **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**

not applicable

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## **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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Regulation 32, 2 b) (ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations applies to this contract - no alternative supplier.

#### **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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

14 February 2023

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

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Efeca

Efeca, Suite 2, Space House, 22-24 Oxford Road, Bournemouth, BH8 8EZ.

Bournemouth

BH8 8EZ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

[www.efeca.com](http://www.efeca.com)

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £149,500

Lowest offer: £149,500 / Highest offer: £149,500 taken into consideration

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

not applicable

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

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

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

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

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

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