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Contract

SONIC Lab Products for Open RAN Outdoor Network (Site 4)

Digital Catapult

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.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA37289

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research and Innovation

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

SONIC Lab Products for Open RAN Outdoor Network (Site 4)

Reference number

P2023-124

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 32400000 - Networks

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This ITT specifically relates to the design, supply, integration and support of an Open RAN outdoor mobile network. Digital Catapult is seeking to engage with companies who have the capability to design, supply, install, configure and integrate different Outdoor Open RAN components - Radio Units (RU), software Centralised Unit (CU), Distributed Units (DU) and RAN Intelligent Controllers (RIC).

Installation in this ITT refers to software only installation of the Open RAN components.

All hardware installation is the responsibility of Digital Catapult.

The Successful Bidder shall build, implement and integrate an Outdoor 5G Open RAN system, as well as provide ongoing support and maintenance for a one (1) year period following go-live.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Lowest offer: £500,000 / Highest offer: £700,000 taken into consideration

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32412000 Communications network
- 32418000 Radio network
- 32420000 Network equipment
- 32422000 Network components

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKJ - South East (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This procurement relates to design, supply, integration and support of an Open RAN outdoor mobile network. Digital Catapult is seeking to contract a supplier who have the capability to design, supply, install, configure and integrate different Outdoor Open RAN components - Radio Units (RU), software Centralised Unit (CU), Distributed Units (DU) and RAN Intelligent Controllers (RIC).

Installation in this procurement refers to software only installation of the Open RAN components.

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical criterion / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Open procedure

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

Notice number: <u>2023/S 000-019226</u>

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

26 September 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Capgemini UK PLC

1 Forge End

Woking

GU21 6DB

Telephone

+44 7771912839

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKJ - South East (England)

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Lowest offer: £636,000 / Highest offer: £1,642,359 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(MT Ref:230562)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

CEDR

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

In the first instance, all appeals should be promptly brought to the attention of Digital Catapult, and will be dealt with in accordance with the requirements of the

Public Contracts Regulations 2015. Any appeals must be brought within the timescales specified by the applicable law, including without limitation, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.

In accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the contracting authority will also incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period from the date information on award of contract is communicated to tenderers.