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Contract

## **ASH In-Service Support**

Ministry of Defence

F18: Contract award notice for contracts in the field of defence and security

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

#### **I.1) Name, addresses and contact point(s)**

Ministry of Defence

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#### **For the attention of**

Maia Harris

#### **Email(s)**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **I.2) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions

### **I.3) Main activity**

Defence

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## **Section II: Object of the contract**

### **II.1) Description**

#### **II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract**

ASH In-Service Support

#### **II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance**

Services

Service category No 3: Defence services, military defence services and civil defence services

#### **NUTS code**

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.1.4) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

This Contract is for the In-Service Support of ASH which is a repository for safety critical information on UXO for use in the support of the Armed Services of the United Kingdom, in the rendering safe and disposal of UXO worldwide.

#### **II.1.5) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)**

- 72300000 - Data services

#### **Additional CPV code(s)**

- 48731000 - File security software package
- 48732000 - Data security software package
- 48750000 - Storage media loading software package
- 48771000 - General utility software package

- 48781000 - System management software package
- 48782000 - Storage management software package
- 48783000 - Content management software package

## **II.2) Total final value of contract(s)**

### **II.2.1) Total final value of contract(s)**

Value: £2,200,000

Excluding VAT

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## **Section IV: Procedure**

### **Type of procedure**

Negotiated without publication of a contract notice

Justification for the award of the contract without prior publication of a contract notice

1) Justification for the choice of the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice

The works/goods/services can be provided only by a particular tenderer for reasons that are:

technical

The Specialist Explosive Ordnance Disposal & Search (EOD&S), Exploitation & Countermeasures (“SEEC”) Delivery Team, part of Defence Equipment & Support (“DE&S”) within the UK Ministry of Defence (“MoD”), has awarded a three-and-a-half-year contract to Enterprise Services Defence and Security UK Limited for the In-Service Support of Command & Control Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Identification System, named “ASH”, with an estimated contract value of £2.2m.

ASH is a repository for safety critical information on UXO for use in the support of the Armed Services of the United Kingdom, in the rendering safe and disposal of UXO worldwide. The requirement for ASH is OFFICIAL SENSITIVE but the physical computer-

based system and its incorporated information operates at SECRET UK EYES ONLY. This contract has been placed using the regulation 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Defence and Security Public Contract Regulations (DSPCR) 2011 for technical reasons as when, for technical reasons, the contract may be awarded only to a particular economic operator.

A DSPCR VTN was published 23rd September 2022 outlining the reasons for using the negotiated without prior publication procedure. This Contract was subsequently awarded 30th September 2022 and will run from 1st October 2022 to 31st March 2026.

<https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/026787-2022>

## **IV.2) Award criteria**

### **IV.2.1) Award criteria**

Lowest price

### **IV.2.2) Information about electronic auction**

An electronic auction has been used: no

## **IV.3) Administrative information**

### **IV.3.1) File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

703980455

### **IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-026787](#) of 23 September 2022

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## **Section V: Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

703980455

### **V.1) Date of contract award decision**

30 September 2022

### **V.2) Information about offers**

#### **Number of offers received**

1

#### **Number of offers received by electronic means**

1

### **V.3) Name and address of economic operator in favour of whom the contract award decision has been taken**

Enterprise Services Defence and Security UK Limited

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### **V.4) Information on value of contract**

#### **Total final value of the contract**

Value: £2,200,000

Excluding VAT

**If annual or monthly value**

Number of months: 42

### **V.5) Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be sub-contracted: No

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## **Section VI: Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about European Union funds**

The contract is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:  
No

### **VI.3) Procedures for appeal**

#### **VI.3.1) Body responsible for appeal procedures**

SEEC Defence Equipment & Support

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#### **Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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**VI.3.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained**

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