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Contract

8042949 - Supply of Financial Planning & Analysis Reporting Package

Diamond Light Source Ltd

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04524f

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Companies House

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Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.diamond.ac.uk>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Scientific Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

8042949 - Supply of Financial Planning & Analysis Reporting Package

Reference number

8042949

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 48441000 - Financial analysis software package

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Located on the Harwell Science and Innovation Campus in Oxfordshire, Diamond Light Source Ltd (DLS) is a World-leading facility for science, engineering and innovation. DLS is the largest science facility to be built in the UK for 40 years and produces ultra-violet, infra-red and X-ray beams of exceptional brightness. DLS allows researchers from academia and industry to investigate the structure and behaviour of the world around us at the atomic and molecular level. Areas of investigation include fields such as medicine, the environment, materials and engineering science, physics, chemistry and heritage science. The research undertaken at Diamond brings economic, health and quality of life benefits to the UK and further afield.

DLS intends to implement a modern Financial Planning and Analysis Reporting software package that meets its planning and reporting obligations. The aim of the package is

- 1) to provide a more efficient, effective and accurate reporting system for the organisation and
- 2) automate the manual efforts that go into the preparation, review and approval of these budgets/forecasts and reports.

The system will remove and significantly minimise the current reliance on manually prepared excel spreadsheets for the periodic budgeting, forecasting and reporting duties of the DLS

Finance team. The system will equally provide a more accurate, timely and user-friendly period planning tool and a reporting source for non-

finance staff in DLS without heavily relying on the finance team.

The scope of the contract is the provision, implementation and ongoing future support of a fully integrated Financial Planning & Analysis (FP&A) reporting system. The chosen system is expected to meet the following requirements as a minimum from implementation and also provide the opportunity for future improvements as the business needs of DLS continue to evolve.

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: £142,254

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

8042949

Title

Supply of Financial Planning & Analysis Reporting Package

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 September 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 18

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 12

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 18

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Mercur Solutions (UK) Ltd

Bracknell

RG12 1AX

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ11 - Berkshire

Companies House

12025712

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £142,254

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Diamond Light Source

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OX11 0DE

Country

United Kingdom