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Contract

The ECHO2 Programme: Network Integration Services Procurement

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

F20: Modification notice

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office

King Charles Street

LONDON

SW1A2AH

Email

ddat.commercial@fcdo.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/foreign-commonwealth-development-office>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

The ECHO2 Programme: Network Integration Services Procurement

Reference number

2022/S 000-008742

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

The contracting authority on behalf of the Secretary of State for the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office, and the British Council (BC) (collectively the 'Partners' or

'Customers') have awarded a framework agreement to Fujitsu Services Limited for the provision of Network Integration Services (the 'Services').

The services will connect ministerial headquarters and other head offices in the UK with their respective embassies, consulates and other office locations across the globe.

The Secretary of State for the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office let at the same time a call-off contract for its requirements.

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/notice/9deb9211-075b-4dc4-b01a-a7efd1f33147?origin=SearchResults&p=1>

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

60

Section IV. Procedure

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

Notice number: [2020/S 106-258337](#)

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

4466

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

15 March 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Fujitsu Services Limited

London

W1U 3BW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

00096056

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £44,100,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Secretary of State for the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Affairs, awarded a call-off contract to Fujitsu Services Limited pursuant to a framework agreement for the provision of Network Integration Services (the 'Services') (FCDO Call Off Contract).

The nature of the FCDO Call Off Contract is for the ECHO2 Programme: Network Integration Services

FCDO Call-Off Contract Award Notice on Contract Finder

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office

London

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 64200000 - Telecommunications services

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

The contracting authority on behalf of the Secretary of State for the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Affairs, and the British Council (BC) (collectively the 'Partners' or 'Customers') previously awarded a framework agreement to Fujitsu Services Limited for the provision of Network Integration Services (the 'Services') (FCDO Call Off Contract).

The nature of the FCDO Call Off Contract is for the ECHO2 Programme: Network Integration Services

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Duration in months

60

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£44,100,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Fujitsu Services Limited

London

W1U 3BW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

00096056

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

The Authority has made an adjustment to the delivery timescale of FCDO Call-Off Contract. There is no change to the total contract value, no change to the Echo 2 requirement and no change to the contract term brought about by this modification.

The need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

The modification does not alter the overall nature of the call-off contract

The modification does not increase the value of the original call-off contract.

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

The Authority's ECHO2 programme was impacted by various external factors beyond its

control including hardware failures and chip shortages as a result of the COVID global production delays, resourcing and solution complexity due to network estate considerations which led to a delay in the design, build and test phase. These external factors resulted in a delay to completion of the originally planned ECHO2 programme and necessitated that an extension to the implementation phase be exercised to successfully complete the programme.

The modification does not alter the overall nature of the call-off contract nor does it increase the value of the original call-off contract.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £44,100,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £44,100,000