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Contract

Defra Data Services Platform 3 (DSP3)

Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs (Defra)

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Defra Data Services Platform 3 (DSP3)

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72300000 - Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Defra is the UK government department which is responsible for improving and protecting the environment. Defra aims to grow a green economy and sustain thriving rural communities, and also support the UK's world-leading food, farming and fishing industries.

The Data Services Platform ("DSP") makes environmental data, from across Defra Group, available to a wide range of users. The DSP is used to share data openly or with controlled groups of users (e.g. Defra Group supply chain) or where data contains third party rights. The intention of the DSP is to deliver services that will be world-leading in under-pinning environmental improvements. The DSP can be accessed at <https://environment.data.gov.uk>.

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: £23,648,062.42

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The overall objectives for the DSP3 contract are:

a) to put in place all arrangements necessary to operate and maintain the current DSP services within 6 months of the contract commencement date (the “Transition Services”);

b) to implement improvements to the DSP services within 12 months of the contract commencement date (the “Transformation Services”);

c) to provide the core DSP functionality for current users, including:

- provision of a data sharing platform;
- linked data services;
- metadata management;
- creation and maintenance of any applications built on DSP data;
- provision of a knowledgebase;
- data access and rights management;
- domain registration and URL proxy management;
- IT service management (in accordance with ITIL v4) for the DSP platform; and
- fulfilment of the applicable roles within the UK government's Digital, Data and Technology Professional Capability Framework.

d) to have a managed service for the support, maintenance, and continuous improvement of the DSP during its business-as-usual operation. The contract duration will be five years with the option for three one-year extensions (5 + 1 + 1 + 1), subject to business need and Supplier performance;

e) to have a platform that leverages investment made in the DSP to date and enables future flexibility across a convergent platform for managing Defra Group data and information systems and services. This may include the implementation of optional services or future requirements without the need for major capital investment beyond this project, including (but not limited to):

- the DSP must have a product roadmap which includes functionality readily available in the proposed product suite beyond the functionality currently stated in the draft Contract

that Defra may wish to implement via the Change Control Procedure;

- the DSP may be required to exchange data and enable interoperability across new data and information systems and services in near real-time (e.g. by means of an open API, enabling unfettered access to all data wherever it is stored);
- the DSP may be required to support the management of new data and information systems and services for other Defra Group bodies;
- the DSP may be required (subject to user research) to develop and support new datasets, APIs, applications and digital services (similar to those set out in the APIs portal and the application gallery) in order to support the wider knowledge economy;
- the DSP may be required to utilise capabilities in the product roadmap that could be used to replace other (aged) Defra Group systems (in whole or in part);
- the DSP may be required to utilise capabilities in the product roadmap to deliver a platform that could be used to further develop the DSP interactive mapping capability for spatial services and data visualisation; and
- the Supplier must propose new ideas, innovations, and service improvements via a bi-annual Continuous Improvement Plan.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial contract duration will be 5 years with Defra having the option to extend the Contract by an aggregate duration of up to an additional three years in one year increments (i.e. 5+1+1+1).

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

Competitive dialogue

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 November 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £23,648,062.42

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The contract value is expected to be up to £23,648,062.42 (net of VAT) during the overall maximum 8-year term (5+1+1+1), which includes the cost of implementation, ongoing operational service charges, contract extensions, contract changes and an allowance for indexing of prices. The contract value is an estimate only and will be dependent upon whether an extension (in part or in whole) is enacted, whether any optional services (in part or in whole) are enacted, the extent of any contract changes, and the indices used to index prices.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Public Procurement Review Service

n/a

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