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Contract

## **DoF Collaborative Arrangement for the Provision of Risk Management Advisory Services (ID 4141813)**

Department of Finance

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-036be4

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Department of Finance

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BELFAST

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

DoF Collaborative Arrangement for the Provision of Risk Management Advisory Services (ID 4141813)

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 71314000 - Energy and related services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

This contract is for the provision of Energy Market Risk Management Advisory Services for a term of 3 years with the option to extend by up to two years. The anticipated commencement date shall be 1st August 2023 and expire on 31st July 2026, unless extended by the optional extension.

#### **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: £402,500

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 71314200 - Energy-management services
- 71314300 - Energy-efficiency consultancy services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative Criteria / Weighting: 50

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative Criteria / Weighting: 50

### **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

### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This contract is for the provision of Energy Market Risk Management Advisory Services for a term of 3 years with the option to extend by up to two years. The anticipated commencement date shall be 1st August 2023 and expire on 31st July 2026, unless extended by the optional extension. The participating Clients are set out in Table 1. Numbers in brackets indicate the estimated number of risk strategies for each Client at Contract commencement. The number of risk strategies per Client may vary as replacement energy supply contracts are awarded. Table 1: Participating Bodies NICS plus ALBs NDPBs Health Social Care Trusts DoF 2 Belfast HSCT 2 PSNI 2 Northern HSCT 2 Education Authority 2 South Eastern HSCT 2 DfI 1 Southern HSCT 2 NI Water 2 Western HSCT 2 Translink 2 NI Fire and Rescue Service 2 MOD 1 Business Services Organisation 2 NI Ambulance Service 2 Note that multiple follower organisations follow DoF's, Belfast HSCT's and DfI's risk strategies. The date at which BSO, NIAS and NIFRS will follow BHSCT's risk strategies is yet to be agreed.

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## **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: [2022/S 000-027077](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

13 December 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

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: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

HORIZON ENERGY GROUP LIMITED

4400 Airport Business Park

CORK

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Country

Ireland

NUTS code

- IE - Ireland

Internet address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £780,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £402,500

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

Contract monitoring: the successful contractor's performance on the contract will be regularly monitored. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in Construction and Procurement Delivery CPD for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued with a certificate of unsatisfactory performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a certificate of unsatisfactory performance will result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by centres of procurement expertise on behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of 12 months from the date of issue of the certificate..

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for review/appeal or mediation procedures

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 and, where appropriate, incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information was communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.