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Award

FsAST 709441451 Virtual Reality Parachute Trainer

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80650000 - Training and simulation in aircrafts, missiles and spacecrafts

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Flight Simulation and Synthetic Training Team, part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence ("the Authority") intends to place a new contract with Pennant PLC ("Pennant") for the repair and software maintenance of an updated Virtual Reality Parachute Trainer (VRPT 3) at RAF Brize Norton. The Authority intends to place a new contract with Pennant for a value of £670,000 for a period of up to 5 years, plus 5-year option.

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: £670,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

1 x 5 years

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

The Flight Simulation and Synthetic Training Team, part of the United Kingdom Ministry of Defence (“the Authority”) intends to place a new contract with Pennant PLC (“Pennant”) for the repair and software maintenance of an updated Virtual Reality Parachute Trainer (VRPT 3) at RAF Brize Norton. The Authority intends to place a new contract with Pennant for a value of £670,000 for a period of up to 5 years, plus 5-year option. In accordance with Regulation 4 of The Defence and Security Public Contracts (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (SI No.2019/697) this procurement shall be regulated under the provisions of the Defence and Security Public Contracts Regulations 2011 (DSPCR 2011) as amended (in particular by SI 2019/697 and SI 2020/1450). Prior publication of a contract notice in the Official Journal of the European Union is no longer appropriate. It is considered that this contract can be placed using the negotiated procedure without prior publication of a contract notice pursuant to Reg 16 (1)(a)(ii) of the DSPCR 2011 on the basis that no economic operator aside from Pennant is capable of meeting the Authority's requirements for technical reasons, namely lack of access to technical documentation would mean that any new supplier would not be able to attain sufficient level of delivery to ensure safety case deliverables would be maintained for this risk to life mitigation training aid.

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

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Title

Virtual Reality Parachute Trainer 3

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 November 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Pennant International Limited

Pennant Court (Head Office) , Staverton Technology Park , Cheltenham

Cheltenham

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK13 - Gloucestershire

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £670,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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