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Contract

ID 4295887 - DfE - InterTradelreland Acumen Programme Delivery Services

InterTradelreland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-036482

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0377fb

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

InterTradelreland

Old Gasworks Business Park, Kilmorey Street

Newry

BT34 2DE

Email

SSDAdmin.CPD@finance-ni.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://intertradeireland.com/>

Buyer's address

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

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 4295887 - DfE - InterTradelreland Acumen Programme Delivery Services

Reference number

4295887

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

InterTradelreland wishes to appoint a Contractor to deliver its Acumen Programme which aims to assist SMEs in Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland to overcome barriers to, and develop, new cross-border business. The Programme makes a significant contribution to building the capability and capacity of SME's to take the first formal steps onto the export ladder. The programme assists SMEs to employ a sales resource, in either full time or part time capacity for up to 12 months.

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: £2,999,820

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79600000 - Recruitment services
- 79420000 - Management-related services

- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Qualitative Criteria / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Quantitative Criteria / Weighting: 30

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

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 000-029801](#)

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

20 December 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Full Circle

Unit 7-8

BELFAST

BT8 7QN

Email

info@fullcircle.eu.com

Telephone

+44 02890691027

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £2,999,820

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,999,820

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended.

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 (as amended) and incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract 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.