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Contract

## **Digital Specialist and Programmes (DSP)**

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-040470

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e146

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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Liverpool

L3 9PP

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+44 345102222

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/ccs>

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**Section II: Object****II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Digital Specialist and Programmes (DSP)

Reference number

RM6263

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

**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:**

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority has put in place a Pan Government Collaborative Agreement for the provision of Digital, Data and Technology (DDaT)

specialists and facilitate large-scale digital transformation programmes to be utilised by Central Government Departments and all other UK Public Sector Bodies, including Local Authorities, Health, Police, Fire and Rescue, Education and Devolved Administrations.

The lotting structure of this framework is as follows:

Lot 1 - Digital Programmes

Lot 2 - Digital Specialists

Further information is included in the Additional Information section VI.3.

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

Start date

21 March 2022

End date

7 March 2026

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.2) Administrative information**

#### **IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-009301](#)

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

### **Contract No**

RM6263

### **Lot No**

All Lots

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

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

21 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**

See Contracts Finder Notice for full supplier list

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+44 3454102222

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £4,000,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The value provided in Section v.2.4 is only an estimate. We cannot guarantee to suppliers any business through this Commercial Agreement.

As part of this contract award notice the following can be accessed at:

<https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/efcd4360-a035-48a2-9543-7e91a97295a3>

Redacted Commercial Agreement;

Contract notice transparency information for the agreement

List of Successful Suppliers;

Customer list

On 2.4.2014 Government introduced its Government Security Classifications (GSC) scheme which replaced Government Protective Marking Scheme (GPMS). A key aspect is the reduction in the number of security classifications used. All bidders were required to make themselves aware of the changes as it may impact this requirement. This link provides information on the GSC at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-security-classifications>

Cyber Essentials is a mandatory requirement for Central Government contracts which involve handling personal information or provide certain ICT products/services. Government is taking steps to reduce the levels of cyber security risk in its supply chain through the Cyber Essentials scheme. The scheme defines a set of controls which, when implemented, will provide organisations with basic protection from the most prevalent forms of threat coming from the internet. To participate in this procurement, bidders were required to demonstrate they comply with the technical requirements prescribed by Cyber Essentials, for services

under and in connection with this procurement.

Some purchases under this framework Agreement may have requirements that can be met under this Framework Agreement but the purchase of which may be exempt from the Procurement Regulations (as defined in Attachment 1 – About the framework within the invitation to tender documentation). In such cases, Call-offs from this Framework will be unregulated purchases for the purposes of the Procurement Regulations, and the buyers may, at their discretion, modify the terms of the Framework and any Call-off Contracts to reflect that buyer's specific needs.

CCS reserve the right to award a framework to any bidder whose final score is within 1% of the last position.

For Lot 1 51 suppliers were awarded a place as opposed to the number of 50 as was originally stated in the Contract Notice that was published on 27/10/20.

For Lot 2 51 suppliers were awarded a place as opposed to the number of 50 as was originally stated in the Contract Notice that was published on 27/10/20.

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

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

The Minister for the Cabinet Office acting through Crown Commercial Service

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

Crown Commercial Service (CCS) as the Authority has put in place a Pan Government Collaborative Agreement for the provision of Digital, Data and Technology (DDaT) specialists and facilitate large-scale digital transformation programmes to be utilised by Central Government Departments and all other UK Public Sector Bodies, including Local Authorities, Health, Police, Fire and Rescue, Education and Devolved Administrations.

The lotting structure of this framework is as follows:

Lot 1 - Digital Programmes

Lot 2 - Digital Specialists

Further information is included in the Additional Information section VI.3.

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

Start date

21 March 2022

End date

7 March 2026

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£4,000,000,000

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

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

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## **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):

In accordance with Regulation 72 paragraph 1 (e ) of the Public Contract Regulations 2015,

CCS intends to modify the Digital Specialist and Programmes (DSP) Framework Agreement (RM6263) by extending the term by 12 months.

### **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:

Due to the recent decision made by Government to delay the implementation of the

Procurement Act 23, Crown Commercial Service (CCS) believes that the first condition set out

in Regulation 72(1)(c) Public Contracts Regulations 2015 has been fulfilled in respect of the

Framework Agreement. In order to enable CCS to ensure its portfolio is ready for the new

implementation date of 24/02/2025, and to safeguard the significant work already

completed in the development of the replacement agreement under the new regulations, CCS

proposes to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of nine (12) months from its

scheduled expiry date. The extended Framework Agreement will expire on 07/03/2026.

### **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: £4,000,000,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000,000

