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Contract

## **pEPR - Statutory Appointment of a PRO - Legal Advice**

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

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London

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+44 3459335577

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Legal Services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

pEPR - Statutory Appointment of a PRO - Legal Advice

Reference number

C29861

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

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

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

Services

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

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#### **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: £120,000

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

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

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

To appoint an industry led PRO which will be delegated relevant functions by PackUK to support with ongoing delivery of the pEPR scheme. Legal support is required to assist with the appointment process of a PRO. There are four main phases to the work:

- Prepare the proposed conditions of appointment
- Prepare the appointment process
- Run the appointment process and select the candidate PROs
- Confirm conditions of appointment and appoint the PRO

As PackUK and the 4 nations agree which functions are to be delegated to the PRO and in which years, these will in turn need to be set out in conditions of appointment. The greater the responsibilities delegated to the PRO, the more robust the appointment process will need to be, so legal support will be used to assist with the design, drafting of application documentation, and the subsequent assessment of applications.

Given the possibility of multiple applications, Defra is working on the basis that a clear, transparent and rigorous assessment process is necessary for this work, and legal support will be utilised in the application assessments and finalising conditions of appointment.

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

Price

#### **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

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## **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:

Framework Direct Award

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

7 August 2025

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

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

DLA Piper UK LLP

160 Aldersgate Street

London

EC1A 4HT

Telephone

+44 1133692832

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

OC307847

Internet address

<https://www.dlapiper.com/en/uk/>

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £120,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £120,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-environment-food-rural-affairs>

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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