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Contract

**30000**

DESNZ & DSIT Group Commercial

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-058c4f

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

DESNZ & DSIT Group Commercial

London

#### **Email**

[Sabine.Mcginley2@dsit.gov.uk](mailto:Sabine.Mcginley2@dsit.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-science-innovation-and-technology>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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### **Section II: Object**

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

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

30000

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

Services

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

Research exploring children's views on the future, delivered through British Science Week. It includes designing engagement materials, analysing ~4,000 submissions and providing selected artwork. Insights will inform the Future of Childhood project and contribute to a Foresight report.

##### **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: £30,000

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

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

- 73000000 - Research and development services and related consultancy services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The Future of Childhood and Adolescence is a Foresight project examining the key factors influencing childhood, how these interact and how these could evolve in future. Engaging children and young people in the project in a meaningful way is an important part of the project.

Go-Science to access insights that are submitted to the British Science Association, and more detailed analysis on a subset. It also uses an unusual and innovative research technique – analysis of children’s artwork – which is particularly appropriate for blending child-focused participatory and futures approaches.

### **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:

In what is considered to be a limited market for this requirement, British Science Association are the only organisation to deliver this requirement at such scale, providing access to ~4,000 artwork submissions and selected ones to inform research and insight for the Future of Childhood Project. Subsequently Sch. 5 para. 5 of the Procurement Act 2023 is used as the following conditions are met in relation to this public contract—

(a) due to an absence of competition for technical reasons, only a particular supplier can supply the goods, services or works required, and

(b) there are no reasonable alternatives to those goods, services or works.

#### **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.2.9) Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice**

The contracting authority will not award any further contracts based on the above prior information notice

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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**

20 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**

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £30,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Department for Science Innovation and Technology

London

Country

United Kingdom