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Award

SFO-MARTELLO-EXT

Serious Fraud Office

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Scope

Description

Due to budgetary reasons, a new contract has been established following on from SFO-MARTELLO. Martello Expert Services provides independent expert witnesses, subject matter experts and a range of consulting services to the legal sector. Martello's services are required to procure Doug Strong to provide assistance in connection with Commercial Court Proceedings. Contract has a maximal value of £863500. The original notice was published via Contracts Finder. SFO wishes to flag that the two contracts are not materially different. SFO has included the costs of the previous contract (which ran 27 February 2025 - 4 April 2025) into the costs of the notice for the new contract, to display the aggregated fees in one notice.

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Contract 1. SFO-MARTELLO-EXT

Supplier

- Martello Financial Services

Contract value

- £863,500 excluding VAT
- £1,036,200 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

4 September 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 5 September 2025 to 5 April 2026
- Possible extension to 4 October 2026
- 1 year, 1 month

Description of possible extension:

Extension allowed with 10 days written notice for 6 months if further services are required including attending court.

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 71319000 - Expert witness services

Contract locations

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England
- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Extreme and unavoidable urgency

Urgency, as per PA23 Schedule 5 S.13

Supplier

Martello Financial Services

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London

WC2A 2JR

United Kingdom

Email: lboyes@martelloglobal.com

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1. SFO-MARTELLO-EXT

Contracting authority

Serious Fraud Office

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZLQ-7427-JMLZ

2-4 Cockspur Street

London

SW1Y 5BS

United Kingdom

Email: commercial@sfo.gov.uk

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Organisation type: Public authority - central government