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Contract

Forensic Evidence Management System (FEMS) Support & Maintenance

Scottish Police Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish Police Authority

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.spa.police.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA19762

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Forensic Evidence Management System (FEMS) Support & Maintenance

Reference number

PROC-24-2470

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72267000 - Software maintenance and repair services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority required a contract to be put in place for the ongoing support and maintenance of previously purchased Starlims perpetual licences. A Professional Services Day rate was also requested as part of the contract with the intention of being an option to utilise for any required enhancements in the interim period.

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: £670,908.89

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72261000 - Software support services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Authority required to appoint a Contractor for the provision of a Support and Maintenance Agreement for the existing Starlims Forensic Evidence Management System currently in use within SPA Forensics Services.

A Professional Services Day rate was also requested as part of the contract with the intention of being an option to utilise for any required enhancements in the interim period.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

A Professional Services Day rate was also requested as part of the contract with the intention of being an option to utilise for any required enhancements in the interim period

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

Starlims UK Limited own the intellectual property rights of the software and are the only supplier capable of providing support and maintenance of the software or any required enhancements.

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

PROC-24-2470

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 July 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

STARLIMS

Crossgate House, Cross Street Sale, Cheshire, United Kingdom

Manchester

M33 7FT

Telephone

+44 7703680131

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £670,908.89

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court

Glasgow

Country

United Kingdom