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Contract award notice

Results of the procurement procedure

This notice is related to following:

- Directive 2014/24/EU
- Regulation (EU, Euratom) 2018/1046

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses ¹ (please identify all contracting authorities responsible for the procedure)

Official name: Department of Finance		National registration number: ₂	
Postal address: 303 Airport Road West			
Town: BELFAST	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT3 9ED	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person: collaboration.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address(es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Official name: Department of Agriculture Environment and Rural Affairs NI		National registration number: ₂	
Postal address: Dundonald House			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT4 3SB	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address(es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Official name: Department of Finance		National registration number: ₂	
Postal address: Clare House, 303 Airport Road West			
Town: BELFAST	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT3 9ED	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address(es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Official name: Department for Communities NI		National registration number: ₂	
Postal address: Lighthouse Building, 1 Cromac Place			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT7 2JB	Country: United Kingdom

Contact person:		Telephone:
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:
Internet address (es)		
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s		
Official name: Department for Infrastructure NI		National registration number: ²
Postal address: Clarence Court Adelaide Street		
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT2 8GB Country: United Kingdom

Contact person:		Telephone:
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:
Internet address (es)		
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Official name: Department for the Economy NI		National registration number: ²
Postal address: Netherleigh, Massey Avenue		
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT4 2JP Country: United Kingdom

Contact person:		Telephone:
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:
Internet address (es)		
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s		
Official name: Department of Education NI		National registration number: ²
Postal address: Rathgael House		
Town: Bangor	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT19 7PR Country: United Kingdom

Contact person:		Telephone:
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:
Internet address (es)		
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s		
Official name: Department of Health NI		National registration number: ²
Postal address: Castle Buildings		
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT4 3SQ Country: United Kingdom

Contact person:		Telephone:
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:
Internet address (es)		
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s		
Official name: Northern Ireland Office		National registration number: ²

Postal address: Stormont House			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT4 3SH	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address (es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s			
Official name: The Executive Office		National registration number: 2	
Postal address: Stormont Castle			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT4 3TT	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address (es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s			
Official name: Northern Ireland Housing Executive		National registration number: 2	
Postal address: 2 Adelaide Street			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT2 8BP	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address (es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Official name: Ulster University		National registration number: 2	
Postal address: Cromore Road			
Town: Coleraine	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT52 1SA	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone: +44 2870123456	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address (es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s			
Official name: Utility Regulator Northern Ireland		National registration number: 2	
Postal address: Queens House 14 Queen Street			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT1 6ED	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address (es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps s			

Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epp			
Official name: NI Council For Integrated Education		National registration number: ²	
Postal address: 25 College Gardens			
Town: Belfast	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT9 6BS	Country: United Kingdom
Contact person:		Telephone:	
E-mail: ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk		Fax:	
Internet address(es)			
Main address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			
Address of the buyer profile: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps			

I.2) Joint procurement

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The contract involves joint procurement, In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable
<input type="checkbox"/> national procurement law: The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body.

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

<input type="radio"/> Ministry or any other national or federal authority, including their regional or local subdivisions	<input type="radio"/> Regional or local agency/office
<input type="radio"/> National or federal agency/office	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Body governed by public law
<input type="radio"/> Regional or local authority	<input type="radio"/> European institution/agency or international organisation
	<input type="radio"/> Other type:

I.5) Main activity

<input checked="" type="radio"/> General public	<input type="radio"/> Housing and community amenities
<input type="radio"/> services Defence	<input type="radio"/> Social protection
<input type="radio"/> Public order and safety	<input type="radio"/> Recreation, culture and religion
<input type="radio"/> Environment	<input type="radio"/> Education
<input type="radio"/> Economic and financial affairs	<input type="radio"/> Other activity:
<input type="radio"/> Health	

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

II.1.1) Title: DoF - Supply Fitting and Cleaning of Curtains and Blinds to the NICS	Reference number: ²
II.1.2) Main CPV code: 39515000 Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}	
II.1.3) Type of contract <input type="radio"/> Works <input checked="" type="radio"/> Supplies <input type="radio"/> Services	
II.1.4) Short description: The Framework is for the supply and fitting of window blinds and curtains for office accommodation and the cleaning of existing blinds for use across the Northern Ireland Civil Service and the wider public sector. It is anticipated that the Framework Agreement will commence 1 May 2021 for 4 years until 30 April 2025. Following award of the Framework Agreement, a Direct Award will be made to the Most Economically Advantageous Tender in relation to PSD.	
II.1.6) Information about lots	
This contract is divided into lots <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no	
II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT) ¹⁰	
Value: [597136.00] (Please give the total value of the procurement. For information about individual contracts, please use section V) or	
Lowest offer: [] / Highest offer: [] taken into consideration	
Currency: GBP	
(for framework agreements - total maximum value for their entire duration)	
(for dynamic purchasing systems - value of contract(s) not included in previous contract award notices)	
(for contracts based on framework agreements, if required - value of contract(s) not included in previous contract award notices)	

II.2) Description ¹ (1)

II.2.1) Title: ²	Lot No: ²
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II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s): ²	
Main CPV code: ¹ 39515400	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
Main CPV code: ¹ 39515410	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
Main CPV code: ¹ 39515430	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
Main CPV code: ¹ 39515440	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
Main CPV code: ¹ 45421143	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
Main CPV code: ¹ 45421145	Supplementary VOC code: ^{1, 2}
II.2.3) Place of performance	
NUTS code: ¹ [UKN]	Main site or place of performance:
II.2.4) Description of the procurement: The Framework is for the supply and fitting of window blinds and curtains for office accommodation and the cleaning of existing blinds for use across the Northern Ireland Civil Service and the wider public sector. It is anticipated that the Framework Agreement will commence 1 May 2021 for 4 years until 30 April 2025. Following award of the Framework Agreement, a Direct Award will be made to the Most Economically Advantageous Tender in relation to PSD. (nature and quantity of works, supplies or services or indication of needs and requirements)	
II.2.5) Award criteria:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Quality criterion ^{1, 2, 20}	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cost criterion ^{1, 20}	
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Price ²¹ - Weighting:	
II.2.11) Information about options	
Options <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no	
Description of options:	
II.2.13) Information about European Union funds	
The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds <input type="radio"/> yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> no	
Identification of the project:	
II.2.14) Additional information: There is no guarantee of volumes and those given are estimates only.	

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Open procedure
<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerated procedure
Justification:
<input type="radio"/> Restricted procedure
<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerated procedure
Justification:
<input type="radio"/> Competitive procedure with negotiation
<input type="checkbox"/> Accelerated procedure
Justification:
<input type="radio"/> Competitive dialogue
<input type="radio"/> Innovation partnership
<input type="radio"/> Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below (please complete Annex D1)
IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> A dynamic purchasing system was set up
IV.1.6) Information about electronic auction
<input type="checkbox"/> An electronic auction has been used
IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)
The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement <input checked="" type="radio"/> yes <input type="radio"/> no

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure ²
Notice number in the OJ S: 2020/S 235-581458
(One of the following: Prior information notice used as a call for competition; Contract notice; Voluntary ex ante transparency notice)
IV.2.8) Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system
<input type="checkbox"/> The notice involves the termination of the dynamic purchasing system published by the above contract notice
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

Section V: Award of contract ¹

Contract No: 1 Lot No: 2 Title: Contract

A contract/lot is awarded yes no

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded
 No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected
 Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)
 Notice reference: ⁷(year and document number)

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract: (dd/mm/yyyy) 24/03/2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: [3]
 Number of tenders received from SMEs: [1] (SME - as defined in Commission Recommendation 2003/361/EC)
 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: [3]
 The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: yes no

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor ¹

Official name: APEX BLINDS LIMITED		National registration number: ²
Postal address: 16 Kitchen Hill		
Town: Lurgan	NUTS code: UK	Postal code: BT66 6AZ
Country: United Kingdom		Telephone:
E-mail: apexblindsni@gmail.com		Fax:
Internet address: (URL) https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps		

The contractor is an SME: yes no

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: ² [985000.00]
 (for framework agreements or dynamic purchasing systems - estimated total maximum value for the entire duration of this lot) Total value of the contract/lot: [597136.00] or
 Lowest offer: [] / Highest offer: [] taken into consideration Currency: GBP
 (for framework agreements - total maximum value for this lot)
 (for dynamic purchasing systems - value of contract(s) for this lot not included in previous contract award notices)
 (for contracts based on framework agreements, if required - value of contract(s) for this lot not included in previous contract award notices)

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted
 Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted
 to third parties ⁴ Value excluding VAT: []
 Currency:
 Proportion: [] %
 Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted:

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information ²

The contractor's performance on this contract will be managed as per specification and regularly monitored see Procurement Guidance..
 Note 01/12 contract. Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting.. what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve..
 If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior.. management in Construction Procurement Delivery (CPD) for further action. If this occurs and their performance still does not improve.. to satisfactory levels within the specified period, it may be regarded as an act of grave professional misconduct and they may be issued.. with a notice of

unsatisfactory performance and the contract may be terminated. The issue of a notice of unsatisfactory performance will.. result in the contractor being excluded from all procurement competitions being undertaken by Centres of procurement expertise on.. behalf of bodies covered by the Northern Ireland Procurement Policy for a period of 12 months from the date of issue of the certificate... The authority expressly reserved the rights:.. (i) not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process commenced by.. publication of this notice;. (ii) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition; and in.. no circumstances will the authority be liable for any costs incurred by candidates;. (iii) to award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of.. the (services) covered by this notice; and. (iv) to award contract(s) in stages and in no circumstances will the authority be liable for any.. costs incurred by candidates.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body		
Official name: This is not applicable in the UK		
Postal address:		
Town: This is not applicable in the UK	Postal code:	Country: United Kingdom
E-mail:	Telephone:	
Internet address: (URL)	Fax:	
VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures ²		
Official name:		
Postal address:		
Town:	Postal code:	Country:
E-mail:	Telephone:	
Internet address: (URL)	Fax:	
VI.4.3) Review procedure		
Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: CPD complied with. the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and applied a. standstill period (minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the. award of contract was communicated to tenderers. The. notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time. for the unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award. decision before the contract was entered into.		
VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained ²		
Official name:		
Postal address:		
Town:	Postal code:	Country:
E-mail:	Telephone:	
Internet address: (URL)	Fax:	

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice: (dd/mm/yyyy) 26/03/2021

It is the contracting authority's/contracting entity's responsibility to ensure compliance with European Union law and any applicable laws.

¹ please repeat as many times as needed

² if applicable

³if this information is known

⁷mandatory information not to be published

²⁰ importance may be given instead of weighting

²¹ importance may be given instead of weighting; if price is the only award criterion, weighting is not used