

United Kingdom-Swindon: Sensors
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Contract award notice
Supplies

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Science and Technology Facilities Council

Postal address: Polaris House, North Star Avenue

Town: Swindon

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: SN2 1FF

Country: United Kingdom

Contact person: Laura Lewis

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Internet address(es):

Main address: www.uksbs.co.uk

Address of the buyer profile: www.uksbs.co.uk

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: Scientific research

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

UK SBS SSAPR17145 Manufacturing of the QEM 2 sensor

Reference number: UK SBS SSAPR17145

II.1.2. Main CPV code

35125100 Sensors

II.1.3. Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4. Short description

STFC have procured the manufacture of the Quantum Electron Microscopy (QEM) 2 sensor for supply to a consortium of international academic and commercial organisations. This sensor was designed at STFC, and will be manufactured at an Integrated Circuit fabrication plant ("fab").

Having investigated the sourcing options, there was no competition available to meet the requirement, this was due to the fact that using a different “fab” would result in a sensor with different technical characteristics which would result in incompatibility and disproportionate difficulties in operation and maintenance technical difficulties.

It was therefore approved that a single sourcing action was appropriate.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 250 000,00 GBP

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50

Price - Weighting: 50

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

II.2.14. Additional information

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 Official Journal of the European Union in the cases listed below

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Due to Etesian Semiconductor Limited owning the IPR for the manufacturing process for the QEM 2 sensor, this makes them the only supplier for this project.

The QEM2 sensor design contains circuitry previously manufactured using the Etesian Semiconductor Limited process. This was tested by STFC and its performance met the requirements to proceed with the QEM2 design. This performance is strongly linked to the manufacturing process which can only be provided by this supplier.

The Public Contract Regulations 2015 make provision for this contract to be placed under regulation 32 (5)(b) which is for additional deliveries by the original supplier, which in this case are intended as an extension of existing supplies or installations where a change of supplier would oblige the Contracting Authority to acquire supplies having different technical characteristics which would result in incompatibility or disproportionate technical difficulties in operation and maintenance.

In addition, Etesian Semiconductor Limited own the IPR for the manufacturing process which will produce the identical chips that are required in order to deliver this project (PCR 32 (2)(b) (iii)).

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

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.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

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

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: UK SBS SSAPR17145

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

06/09/2017

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

Official name: Etesian Semiconductor Limited

Postal address: PO Box 203, 36006

Town: Aloney ABA

NUTS code: 00 Other or Not Specified

Postal code: 36006

Country: Israel

The contractor is an SME: no

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 250 000,00 GBP

Total value of the contract/lot: 250 000,00 GBP

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: UK Shared Business Services

Postal address: Polaris House, North Star Avenue

Town: Swindon

Postal code: SN2 1FF

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

19/01/2018