

**United Kingdom-Cambridge: Telecommunications services**  
**OJ S 148/2014 05/08/2014**  
**Contract award notice**  
**Services**

**Directive 2004/18/EC**

**Section I: Contracting authority**

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**I.1. Name and addresses**

Official name: Delivery of Advanced Network Technology to Europe Limited

Postal address: City House, 126-130 Hills Road

Town: Cambridge

Postal code: CB2 1PQ

Country: United Kingdom

For the attention of: Procurement Manager

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Telephone: +44 1223371300

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**Internet address(es):**

General address of the contracting authority: [www.dante.net](http://www.dante.net)

Electronic access to information: <http://www.dante-procurement.net>

**I.2. Type of the contracting authority**

Other: UK Limited Company

**I.3. Main activity**

Other: research and education networks

**I.4. Contract award on behalf of other contracting authorities**

The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities: yes

Official name: Kenet

Postal address: P.O. Box 30244 00100

Town: Nairobi

Country: Kenya

Official name: Maren

Postal address: University of Malawi Central office, Box 278, Zomba

Town: Blantyre

Country: Malawi

Official name: MoRENet

Postal address: Ministry of Science & Technology of Mozambique, 770 Patrice Lumumba Avenue

Town: Maputo

Country: Mozambique

Official name: X-net

Postal address: Ministry of Education Government Office Park, Luther Street

Town: Windhoek

Country: Namibia

Official name: RwEdNet

Postal address: Kigali Institute of Science, Technology and Management

Town: Kigali

Country: Rwanda

Official name: SomaliREN

Postal address: Industrial Road, Simad University Main Campus

Town: Mogadishu

Country: Somalia

Official name: SUIN

Postal address: Information Technology & Networks Administration (ITNA) University of Khartoum

Town: Khartoum

Country: Sudan

Official name: TERNET

Postal address: Dar es Salaam

Town: P.O. Box 95062, Kawawa Road

Country: Tanzania

Official name: RENU

Postal address: Faculty of Computing & Information Technology, Block A, Makerere University, P.O. Box 35009

Town: Kampala

Country: Uganda

Official name: ZAMREN

Postal address: University of Zambia, Great East Road Campus, School of Education Building, P.O. Box 32379

Town: Lusaka

Country: Zambia

Official name: UbuntuNet Alliance

Postal address: P.O. Box 2550

Town: Lilongwe

Country: Malawi

Official name: [Eb@ale](mailto:Eb@ale)

Postal address: Avenue de la Democratie No 44

Town: Kinshasa/Gombe

Country: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Official name: EthERNET

Postal address: c/o ICT Center of Excellence, Ground Floor of International Leadership Institute Building, Madagascar Street

Town: Addis Ababa

Country: Ethiopia

## Section II: Object of the contract

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### II.1. Description

#### II.1.1. Title

AfricaConnect — Connectivity — Phase II.

#### II.1.2. Type of contract and place of performance or delivery

Services

Service category No 5: Telecommunications services  
NUTS code

**II.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)**

**II.1.4. Short description of the contract or purchase(s)**

DANTE required data links of varying bandwidths from UbuntuNet Alliance PoPs in Nairobi, Dar Es Salaam, Maputo, Kampala, Kigali, Mtunzini, Cape Town and Johannesburg to a number of locations within Eastern and Southern Africa, including (but not limited to) Windhoek, Lusaka, Kinshasa, Blantyre and Gaborone, for an initial term of 3 years although longer term IRUs were invited and considered subject to commercial considerations and overall affordability of the total solution.

**II.1.5. CPV code(s)**

64200000 Telecommunications services, 32560000 Fibre-optic materials, 32562200 Optical telecommunication cables

**II.1.6. Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: yes

**II.2. Total value of the contract/lot**

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**Section IV: Procedure**

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**IV.1. Type of procedure**

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competitive dialogue

**IV.2. Award criteria**

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

1. Total Cost of Ownership. Weighting 65
2. Technical Quality of the Solution. Weighting 15
3. Implementation Planning. Weighting 5
4. Future. Weighting 5
5. Contract. Weighting 10

**IV.2.2. Information about electronic auction**

**IV.3. Administrative information**

**IV.3.1. File reference number attributed by the contracting authority**

**IV.3.2. Previous publication concerning this procedure**

**Contract notice**

Notice number in the OJ S: [2013/S 70-116588](#) of 10.4.2013

**Section V: Award of contract**

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Lot No: 1

- Lot title: Muanda — Cape Town

**V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract**

4.3.2014

**V.2. Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

**V.3. Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: West Indian Ocean Cable Company

Postal address: 1001 Alexander House, 35

Town: Ebene Cybercity

Postal code: 1001

Country: Mauritius

E-mail: [infor@wiocc.net](mailto:infor@wiocc.net)

Telephone: +25 4204212000

Internet address: [www.wiocc.net](http://www.wiocc.net)

**V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot****V.5. Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Lot No: 2

- Lot title: Dar es Salaam — Tunduma

**V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract**

4.3.2014

**V.2. Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

**V.3. Name and address of the contractor**

Official name: West Indian Ocean Cable Company

Postal address: 1001 Alexander House, 35

Town: Ebene Cybercity

Postal code: 1001

Country: Mauritius

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**V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot****V.5. Information about subcontracting**

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

**Section VI: Complementary information**

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**VI.1. Information about European Union funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:  
yes

Identification of the project: FED/2010/255139

**VI.2. Additional information**

Initial contract term 36 months with options to extend for a total term of up to 15 years.

**VI.3. Procedures for review****VI.3.1. Review body****VI.3.2. Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: DANTE incorporated a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract was communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. The standstill period was for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provided time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before contracts were entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2006 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

**VI.3.3. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained****VI.4. Date of dispatch of this notice**

31.7.2014