

United Kingdom-Cambridge: Telecommunications services
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Contract award notice
Services

Directive 2004/18/EC

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: GEANT Limited
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Internet address(es):
General address of the contracting authority: www.geant.org

I.2. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

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: CSTNET
Postal address: Zhongguancun South 4th Street
Town: Beijing
Postal code: 100190
Country: China
Official name: CERNET
Postal address: China Education and Research Network, Tsinghua University
Town: Beijing
Postal code: 100084
Country: China

Section II: Object of the contract

II.1. Description

II.1.1. Title

ORIENTplus (Europe/China High Speed Bandwidth).

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

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)

The ORIENTplus project provides high speed direct connectivity between European NRENs and those in China to foster EU/China collaborative scientific and other user applications. The national research and education networks (NRENs) of Europe and China have jointly funded, dedicated point to point connectivity via direct terrestrial fibre optic cables since 2007. This links the pan-European GÉANT network and the Chinese networks CERNET and CSTNET, enabling scientific and academic collaborations between their research and education communities.

The previous contract for EU/China connectivity provides 10 Gbps capacity. A project to renew this connectivity has been established and the EU and Chinese project partners tendered together to maintain (or increase) the capacity of the connectivity between them, over a multi year term. The objective of the procurement was to achieve a long term option with an element of future proofing in terms of optional potential bandwidth increases of up to 100 Gbps over the resultant contract term.

II.1.5. CPV code(s)

64200000 Telecommunications services

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

II.2.1. Total value of the contract/lot

Value: 1 788 000 EUR
excluding VAT

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Type of procedure

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Open

IV.2. Award criteria

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The most economically advantageous tender in terms of

1. Commercial. Weighting 60
2. Quality. Weighting 40

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: [2014/S 206-365240](#) of 25.10.2014

Section V: Award of contract

V.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

2.2.2015

V.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

V.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: China Unicom Europe Ltd

Postal address: Level 35, Canada Square, Canary Wharf

Town: London

Postal code: E14 8LX

Country: United Kingdom

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V.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Total value of the procurement:

Value: 1 788 000 EUR

excluding VAT

V.5. Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted: no

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about European Union funds

VI.2. Additional information

ORIENTplus — Grant Agreement No 283334.

VI.3. Procedures for review

VI.3.1. Review body

VI.3.2. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures: GEANT Limited (formerly 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, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days provided time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) 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

11.12.2015