Version 4.3 (electronic contracts)

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**Contract Agreement**

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| ***TITLE*** | | |
| **Contract Ref No:** |  |

*Include here any applicable logos as required*

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This contract is concluded between *(amend as applicable)*:

**Department of Contracts**

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(herein after called “The Central Government Authority”)

on behalf of

***<<NAME OF DEPARTMENT>>***

*<<ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT>>*

Tel:

Fax:

e-mail:

(herein after called “The Contracting Authority”)

on the one part, and

**<<*NAME OF CONTRACTOR*>>**

<<*ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR*>>

Tel:

Fax:

e-mail:

(herein after called “The Contractor”)

on the other part.

1. In this contract words and expressions shall have the meanings assigned to them in the contractual conditions set out below.

2. The subject of this contract is <<*NAME OF CONTRACT*>>

3. The place of acceptance of the services shall be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the time-limits for delivery shall be **as per Article 18 of the Special Conditions of this Tender,** and the INCOTERM applicable shall be **Delivery Duty Paid (DDP).**

4. The following documents shall be deemed to form and be read and construed as part of this contract, in the following order of precedence:

1. this Contract Agreement, the Special Conditions;
2. the General Conditions;
3. the Technical Specifications/Terms of Reference and Design Documentation (*including any clarifications made during tendering period)*;
4. the Technical Offer *(including any clarifications made during evaluation)*;
5. the Financial Offer *(after arithmetical corrections/breakdown)*;
6. the Tenderer’s Declarations in Tender Response Format; and
7. other Documents *(related to the subject of the contract)*.

Clarifications and Addenda shall have the order of precedence of the document according to the article they are modifying.

5. In consideration of the payments to be made by the Contracting Authority to the Contractor as hereinafter mentioned, the Contractor undertakes to execute and complete the contract in full compliance with the provisions of the contract.

6. The Contracting Authority hereby agrees to pay the Contractor in consideration of the execution of the contract and remedying of any defects therein the <<*amount/price rate>>* of:

€..................................... (*AMOUNT IN WORDS*) including Taxes, Other Duties & Discounts but excluding VAT, or such other sum as may become payable under the provisions of the contract at the times and in the manner prescribed by the contract. VAT shall be paid in compliance with National Law (in particular the VAT Act 1998, the Act No X of 2003, Act XV of 2016 and relevant Legal Notices).

7. The Contractor hereby agrees to submit to the Contracting Authority a performance guarantee amounting to €............................ (*AMOUNT IN WORDS*) equivalent to 4%/10% (as stipulated in the Special Conditions).

Once the above percentages have been determined on the total contract value, and hence 4% or 10% have been defined, the following shall apply.

Where the contract is a Framework Contract, the Performance Guarantee may cover the yearly/annual total contract value[[1]](#footnote-1), which means that the performance guarantee is calculated on the total contract value, and then divided by the number of years covered by the contract.  *[Therefore, the amount shall be calculated proportionately, for example if the total contract value is equivalent to Euro750,000 exclusive of VAT (therefore subject to 10% PG) and the contract shall cover 3 years, the amount of the Performance Guarantee shall be that of: 10% of Euro750,000 exclusive of VAT, therefore Euro 75,000 divided by 3 years = €25,000 as PG].*

*Economic operators have the possibility to provide the Contracting Authority with a Single Bond covering the performance guarantees for all the contracts* ***with the same Contracting Authority.*** *If this is an additional contract, which results in his current Cumulative Contracts Value to go beyond the contract value range currently covered by the single bond, the Contractor is to be requested to: either submit a separate Performance Guarantee for the additional contract; or else submit a new Single Bond to cover the new total contracts value or submit an amendment to the original single bond specifying the amount. If the Economic Operator chooses to make use of the single bond, he/she must submit a letter from the respective Contracting Authority specifying that the amount of the single bond covers the new contract, otherwise the Contract Agreement would not be signed.*

The following table provides the thresholds to be used in order to determine the single bond value:

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| **Cumulative Contracts Value Range / €** | | **Single Bond Value / €** |
| *From* | *To* |
| 10,001 | 150,000 | 2,000 |
| 150,001 | 320,000 | 6,000 |
| 320,001 | 500,000 | 12,800 |
| 500,001 | 750,000 | 50,000 |
| 750,001 | 1,000,000 | 75,000 |
| 1,000,001 | 1,500,000 | 100,000 |
| 1,500,001 | 2,000,000 | 150,000 |
| 2,000,001 | 3,000,000 | 200,000 |
| 3,000,001 | 5,000,000 | 300,000 |
| >5,000,000 |  | 500,000 |

8. In witness whereof the parties hereto have signed the contract. This contract shall take effect on the date on which it is signed by the last party or the date of the Letter of Intent (whichever date comes the earliest).

The provisions of this contract are without prejudice to the obligations of the Central Government Authority/Contracting Authority in terms of the Freedom of Information Act (Cap. 496 of the Laws of Malta). The Central Government Authority/Contracting Authority, prior to disclosure of any information to a third party in relation to any provision of this contract, which has not yet been made public, shall consult the Contractor in accordance with the provisions of the said Act, pertinent subsidiary legislation and the Code of Practice issued pursuant to the Act.  Such consultation shall in no way prejudice the obligations of the Department of Contracts in terms of the Act.

This contract agreement shall be done in English in two/three originals: one for the Central Government Authority, one for the Contracting Authority, and one for the Contractor.

*[A signed hard copy of the contract and annexes shall be retained by the Department of Contracts (Central Government Authority).  An electronic copy of the signed contract and annexes will be made available to the Contracting Authority and the Contractor via the eProcurement System (ePPS).]*

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| **Contractor:**  ......................….................................. | **Central Government Authority obo**  **Contracting Authority:**  ......................….................................. |
| Signed by:  ......................….................................. | Signed by:  ...............................…......................... |
| In the capacity of:  ...........................…............................. | In the capacity of:  .....................................................…... |
| Being fully authorised by and acting on behalf of  .................................................…....... | Being fully authorised by and acting on behalf of  ...…..................................................... |
| Date: .................................................... | Date: .................................................... |

1. *Total contract value means the price for which the contract is going to be awarded following endorsement by all parties.* [↑](#footnote-ref-1)