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UnITy Disaggregation Programme

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Challenge

DEFRA's UnITy disaggregation programme was under-resourced in the Commercial team, contributing to delays and set-backs. Methods was initially engaged in early 2016 to quickly supply and deploy exceptional commercial and procurement resources.

Result

The procurements executed by our consultants were considered to be exemplar standard. Several Methods' consultants were retained to mobilise the contracts ensuring a seamless transition to the permanent Defra workforce.

Solution

Over the course of

3 months
Methods onboarded

10 consultants

with proven delivery capability, a number of whom delivered the cradle to grave procurements on this complex and challenging programme.

The quality of delivery was assured by Methods leveraging its established relationships with high caliber consultants alongside developing a robust understanding of the commercial lead's cultural and technical requirements.

On-going success

Methods has provided consultants across multiple disciplines on the UnITy programme and supplied a managed service for the connectivity workstream, with oversight of all outputs and deliverables. Methods was recommended to the Defra Digital Transformation programme, where we provided Project Management and Business Analysis support. Through this established relationship Methods was chosen as a key supplier to Defra and it's ALB's, to support readiness for EU Exit .

Methods continues to source large numbers of multi-disciplinary consultants to exacting timescales. We have supported the:

• Central PMO function with planners

• PMO leadership skills

• Risk management

• PMO and PSO skillsets at G6, G7 and SEO level

• Communications Specialists

• Programme and project management skills across multiple workstreams.

We've drawn on our network of trusted associates and our permanent staff to fulfil the unique requirements of EU Exit. Methods factor-in the fluctuating nature of the EU Exit environment in our selection process and have provided ongoing support to onsite consultants through regular contact.

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