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Contract

## **Books, e-books, e-textbooks and associated services**

Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-000019

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02c14b

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)

Reading Enterprise Centre, The University of Reading, Whiteknights Road, Earley Gate

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RG6 6BU

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

111357

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.supc.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/86623>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Books, e-books, e-textbooks and associated services

Reference number

LIB4044 SU

### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 22113000 - Library books

### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

### **II.1.4) Short description**

Framework Agreement for the supply of Books, e-books, e-textbooks, and associated services. This tender is split into 11 Lots and Sub-lots.

### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

### **II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £360,000,000

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

English language print books for library stock

Lot No

1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22110000 - Printed books

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Print books primarily in UK languages to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFB, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Print books published in foreign languages or in countries where English is not the first language, for library stock

Lot No

2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Print books primarily in non-UK languages (or from countries where English is not the first language) to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFF, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 25

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Standing Orders

Lot No

3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Print and electronic Standing Order books supplied to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL,

MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFL, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Individual title, DDA or package purchase for access on aggregator's own platform, primarily UK languages

Lot No

4.1

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-books (title, package, or DDA level) on an aggregator platform primarily in UK languages to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFF, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Individual title, package or EBA purchase for access on a third-party platform

Lot No

4.2

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-books (title, package, or EBA level) purchased via an aggregator but made available via a third-party platform, to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia

are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFF, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Multi-publisher EBA for access via aggregator's own platform

Lot No

4.3

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-books via multi-publisher EBA schemes delivered via an aggregator platform, to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELP, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Subscriptions for library access

Lot No

4.4

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-books supplied on an annual subscription basis to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL,

MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFL, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Individual title, DDA or package purchase for access on aggregator's own platform, primarily non-UK language

Lot No

4.5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-books (title, package, or DDA level) on an aggregator platform primarily in non-UK languages to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELP, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

E-textbook access, usually priced by specified number of core users and delivered via an e-textbook platform

Lot No

5

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22113000 - Library books
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

E-textbook access, usually priced by number of core users and delivered via an e-

textbook platform, supplied to participating consortia member libraries. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFB, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

English language print books for institution department purchase (primarily non-library)

Lot No

6

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22100000 - Printed books, brochures and leaflets

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Print books primarily in UK languages for departmental purchase to participating consortia members. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC, LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFF, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Sales to individuals – staff and students (print or electronic)

Lot No

7

### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 22100000 - Printed books, brochures and leaflets
- 64216200 - Electronic information services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

Various locations across the UK

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Sale of print books and/or e-books direct to individual students, staff, and alumni to participating consortia members. Participating consortia are SUPC, NEUPC, NWUPC,

LUPC, HEPCW, NEYAL, MUAL, NoWAL, WHELFF, and Academic Libraries North. Agreement open to member universities and their partners regardless of whether or not they are defined as Contracting Authorities for the purposes of the PCR 2015

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Value for Money / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Range of Service / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Service Support / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Innovation and Technical Merit / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Responsible Procurement / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 40

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

SUPC will award this Framework Agreement on the basis of 2 years initially, with options to extend the initial 2 years by up to 2 further years.

### **II.2.13) 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

Various projects funded by EU in research institutions in the UK. It is anticipated that some of the future call-off contracts under this framework will be part or fully funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) and potentially other research bodies.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2021/S 000-014808](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

English language print books for library stock

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Blackwell UK Ltd

50 Broad Street, Oxford, OX1 3BQ

Oxford

OX1 3BQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

00796591

Internet address

<http://www.blackwells.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

A T Little & Sons Ltd T/A Browns Books

5 Melton Enterprise Park, Redcliff Road, Melton, East Yorkshire, HU14 3RS

Melton

HU14 3RS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

1607961

Internet address

<http://www.brownsbfs.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

EBSCO International Inc

6th Floor Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XA

Enfield

EN1 3XA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

FC 16134

Internet address

<http://www.ebsco.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

ProQuest LLC

789 E. Eisenhower Parkway P.O. Box 1346 Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1346

Ann Arbor

48106-1346

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

Internet address

<http://about.proquest.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £70,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £70,000,000

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**Section V. Award of contract**

**Lot No**

2

## **Title**

Print books published in foreign languages or in countries where English is not the first language, for library stock

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 9

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 9

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Blackwell UK Ltd

50 Broad Street, Oxford, OX1 3BQ

Oxford

OX1 3BQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

00796591

Internet address

<http://www.blackwell.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

A T Little & Sons Ltd T/A Browns Books

5 Melton Enterprise Park, Redcliff Road, Melton, East Yorkshire, HU14 3RS

Melton

HU14 3RS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

1607961

Internet address

<http://www.brownsbfs.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Casalini Libri SpA

Via Benedetto da Maiano 3, 50014 Fiesole (FI), Italy

Fiesole

50014

Country

Italy

NUTS code

- IT - Italy

National registration number

309587

Internet address

<http://www.casalini.it>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

EBSCO International Inc

6th Floor Civic Centre, Silver Street, Enfield, EN1 3XA

Enfield

EN1 3XA

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

FC 16134

Internet address

<http://www.ebsco.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Erasmus Antiquariaat en Boekhandel BV

Veemarkt 207, 1019 CJ Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Amsterdam

1019 CJ

Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

National registration number

33044879

Internet address

<http://www.erasmusbooks.nl>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Houtschild International Booksellers

Sir Winston Churchillaan 281, 2288DA Rijswijk, Netherlands

Rijswijk

2288 DA

Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

National registration number

27106535

Internet address

<http://www.houtschild.com>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Otto Harrassowitz GmbH & Co. KG

Kreuzberger Ring 7c-d, 65205 Wiesbaden, Germany

Wiesbaden

65205

Country

Germany

NUTS code

- DE - Germany

National registration number

HRA1056

Internet address

<https://www.harrassowitz.de>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

ProQuest LLC

789 E. Eisenhower Parkway P.O. Box 1346 Ann Arbor, MI 48106-1346

Ann Arbor

48106

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

National registration number

39-2053855

Internet address

<http://about.proquest.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

3

### **Title**

Standing Orders

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

A T Little & Sons Ltd T/A Browns Books

5 Melton Enterprise Park, Redcliff Road, Melton, East Yorkshire, HU14 3RS

Melton

HU14 3RS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

1607961

Internet address

<http://www.brownsbfs.co.uk>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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National registration number

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

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48106-1346

Country

United States

NUTS code

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National registration number

39-2053855

Internet address

<http://about.proquest.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

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**Section V. Award of contract**

**Lot No**

4.1

## **Title**

Individual title, DDA or package purchase for access on aggregator's own platform, primarily UK languages

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## **V.2) Award of contract**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

BibliU Ltd

237 Pentonville Road, London, N1 9NJ

London

N1 9NJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

09334024

Internet address

<http://bibliu.com>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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National registration number

08617088

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Internet address

<http://about.proquest.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £100,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4.2

### **Title**

Individual title, package or EBA purchase for access on a third-party platform

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £35,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £35,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4.3

### **Title**

Multi-publisher EBA for access via aggregator's own platform

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Ithaca Harbors d/b/a "JSTOR"

101 Greenwich Street, 17th Floor, New York, NY 10006

New York

10006

Country

United States

NUTS code

- US - United States

National registration number

TIN#13-3857105

Internet address

<http://www.jstor.org>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4.4

### **Title**

Subscriptions for library access

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

07901489

Internet address

<https://get.vitalsource.com/intl>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

4.5

### **Title**

Individual title, DDA or package purchase for access on aggregator's own platform, primarily non-UK language

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Casalini Libri SpA

Via Benedetto da Maiano 3 – 50014 Fiesole (FI) – Italy

Fiesole

50014

Country

Italy

NUTS code

- IT - Italy

National registration number

309587

Internet address

<http://www.casalini.it>

The contractor is an SME

Yes

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £7,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

5

### **Title**

E-textbook access, usually priced by specified number of core users and delivered via an e-textbook platform

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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Oxford

OX1 3BQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

00796591

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

John Smith & Son Group Ltd

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Edinburgh

EH1 2EN

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

SC006905

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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Country

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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National registration number

07901489

Internet address

<https://get.vitalsource.com/intl>

The contractor is an SME

No

#### **V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £100,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000,000

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

6

### **Title**

English language print books for institution department purchase (primarily non-library)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## **V.2) Award of contract**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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National registration number

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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The contractor is an SME

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<http://about.proquest.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £20,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £20,000,000

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**Section V. Award of contract**

**Lot No**

7

## **Title**

Sales to individuals – staff and students (print or electronic)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

## **V.2) Award of contract**

### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

4 January 2022

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

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The contractor is an SME

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National registration number

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £4,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,000,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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