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## **Primary Source Library Archive Collections**

UNIVERSITY OF YORK

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKE21 - York

**Charity Commission (England and Wales)**

RC000679

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

**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**

Primary Source Library Archive Collections

Reference number

UY/PROC/965

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 92510000 - Library and archive services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Expansion of existing primary source content holdings in particular areas to support specific cases of teaching and research.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £375,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKE21 - York

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

Expansion of existing primary source content holdings in particular areas to support specific cases of teaching and research.

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

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

The University of York is looking to expand existing primary source content holdings in particular areas to support specific cases of teaching and research, following consultation with academics in the department of English. These archives are exclusively licensed in the UK and are unavailable from any other supplier, several of them are additions to other digital resources that the University already holds.

- British Library Newspapers: Part IV provides 23 publications (nearly 1.4 million pages) from across the United Kingdom and Ireland to reflect the social, political, and cultural events of the times.

- British Library Newspapers: Part V. With a concentration of titles from the northern part of the United Kingdom, the 36 newspapers in Part V deepen Gale's northern regional content, doubling coverage in Scotland, tripling coverage in the Midlands, and adding a significant number of Northern titles to the British Library Newspapers series.

- British Library Newspapers: Part VI adds an additional 80 titles to the series and, as the name suggests, these were all published in Ireland in the late eighteenth, nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

- Making Of The Modern World, Part 1: the Goldsmith's-Kress Collection, 1450-1850. With full-text search capabilities this resource provides unparalleled access to more than 61,000 books and 466 serials -- more than 12 million pages in all -- many of which are the only known copy of the work in the world.

- Nineteenth Century Collections Online: European Literature, the Corvey Collection, 1790-1840. includes the full-text of more than 9,500 English, French and German titles. The collection is sourced from the library of Victor Amadeus, Castle Corvey collection.

- State Papers Online - 18th Century Part I. Approximately 300,000 folios about the reigns

of the three Georges, including behind-the-scenes accounts of the turbulent events of George I's reign.

- State Papers Online - Stuart & Cumberland Papers. Digitised for the first time, the Stuart and Cumberland Papers from the Royal Archives at Windsor Castle are now available online in their entirety. The Stuart Papers represent the correspondence and personal documents of the exiled members of the Stuart dynasty after 1688.

Furthermore, as well as the exclusively licensed nature of the content itself, procuring it from this supplier will allow it to be accessed through the Gale Digital Scholar Lab. This is a proprietary platform that the University already subscribes to, which allows users to run powerful analysis and extract meaningful visualisations that can be used to form the basis of teaching resources and research content. It allows primary source documents to be accessed with full OCR for digital analysis and provides text and data mining possibilities. The major requirement of procurement via Gale means that, unlike other digital primary sources, these resources will have cross search functionality and features that support learning and teaching within a single platform.

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

12 January 2023

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

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

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

Cengage Learning EMEA Limited (trading as Gale)

Andover

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKJ3 - Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Companies House

00903535

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £375,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

University of York

York

Country

United Kingdom