

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/001786-2026>

Contract

Content Store Contract

Department for Education

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2026/S 000-001786

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-06029b

Published 9 January 2026, 11:50am

Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Education

Sanctuary Buildings, 20, Great Smith Street

London

SW1P 3BT

Email

commercial.ddat@education.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Content Store Contract

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:

Foundation model AI has the potential to transform education. The capability of large language models are in part determined by the content that they draw from. Through hackathons with the education sector, we found that standard LLMs weren't aligned with national standards and weren't ready for use in schools.

We believe that there is significant potential value in making education content available in a more appropriate machine-readable format and structure, and encouraging the development of innovative tools based upon this content, in order to improve the performance of AI for education.

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

2 September 2024

End date

1 September 2026

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

con_25821

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

9 August 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

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

Faculty Science Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)

Total value of the procurement: £6,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department for Education

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Department for Education

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Department for Education

London

Country

United Kingdom

Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession

VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications

VII.1.1) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

VII.1.3) Place of performance

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:

Foundation model AI has the potential to transform education. The capability of large language models are in part determined by the content that they draw from. Through hackathons with the education sector, we found that standard LLMs weren't aligned with national standards and weren't ready for use in schools.

We believe that there is significant potential value in making education content available in a more appropriate machine-readable format and structure, and encouraging the development of innovative tools based upon this content, in order to improve the performance of AI for education.

VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession

Start date

2 September 2024

End date

1 September 2026

VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£6,000,000

VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Faculty Science Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

VII.2) Information about modifications

VII.2.1) Description of the modifications

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

Value uplift to the contract

VII.2.2) Reasons for modification

Need for modification brought about by circumstances which a diligent contracting authority/entity could not foresee.

Description of the circumstances which rendered the modification necessary and explanation of the unforeseen nature of these circumstances:

The contract has been modified to support delivery of new high priority strategic requirements, which necessitate the use of this contract to meet the project timelines.

VII.2.3) Increase in price

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptions and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £4,500,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £6,000,000