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Contract

## **(NU/1433-42) ReJI: The Provision of Business Consultancy to Assist Commercialisation of University Research**

Newcastle University  
Durham University  
Northumbria University Newcastle  
University of Sunderland  
Teesside University  
University of Bath on behalf of the SETsquared

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

The contract involves 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**

(NU/1433-42) ReJI: The Provision of Business Consultancy to Assist Commercialisation of University Research

Reference number

DN640635

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Three-dimensional (3D) bioprinting utilises printing techniques to combine cells, growth media and/or biomaterials to produce 3D bio-tissues, with the aim of imitating natural tissue characteristics. Fields in which 3D bioprinting could be used include tissue engineering, regenerative medicine, drug toxicology screening, clinical transplantation, high-throughput assays, and cancer 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: £30,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKC - North East (England)

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

The initial brief of the executive will be to:

- (1) Phase 1 – Provide a market assessment/evaluation and present a recommendation for launch and go-to-market strategy for company
- (2) Produce a viable 5 year business plan;
- (3) Obtain university approval for the venture;
- (4) a. Act for the company in the spin-out legal process and address all company formation matters;
- b. Obtain founder academics and Newcastle University (including the Head of Company Creation) approval for appointment as CEO.
- c. Provide to the appropriate university all matters necessary for Research England reporting requirements;
- (5) Secure (venture capital and other) funding

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

Quality criterion - Name: Ability to meet the required programme / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Quality criterion - Name: Quality: Ability to meet the Job description / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Quality criterion - Name: Quality: Ability to meet the Job description / Weighting: 60%

Quality criterion - Name: Equity / Weighting: 15%

Quality criterion - Name: Formal Appointment: To confirm acceptance of this milestone requirement / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Price - Weighting: 25%

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

Options: No

### **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

Northern Accelerator programme involving funding from both the European Regional Development Funding (ERDF) and Research England

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

#### **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: [2022/S 186-528050](#)

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

### **Contract No**

(NU/1433-42)

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

22 December 2022

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

Number of tenders received: 2

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: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC - North East (England)

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £28,900

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

Newcastle University

Tyne and Wear

NE1 7RU

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the

contract is communicated to tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into.

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2015 No 102) provide for aggrieved parties who

have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland) within 30 days of knowledge or constructive knowledge of breach.

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

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