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## **e-Books Framework Agreement**

Jisc

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

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

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Bristol

BS1 6NB

#### **Contact**

Rhianna Best

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

56579

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/87175>

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=42982&B=JISC](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=42982&B=JISC)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=42982&B=JISC](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=42982&B=JISC)

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

#### **II.1.1) Title**

e-Books Framework Agreement

Reference number

Proc1753

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

Jisc Services Limited (JSL) intends to establish a multi-supplier framework agreement for e-Books services content supply. JSL is seeking to continue making an investment in its e-Books for FE service. JSL regularly has a requirement to purchase licences for relevant, up-to-date curricula-led titles to make available to the FE sector and is therefore looking for suppliers who can provide titles, that meet the criteria to support the teaching and learning needs, to cover existing and future needs of the FE sector.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

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

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

AS Level / A level / Highers / Advanced Highers content

Lot No

1

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Core textbooks, workbooks and revision guides that support the UK-wide curriculum.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

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

Vocational Content for FE (levels 2 and 3)

Lot No

2

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Core textbooks and workbooks that support vocational qualifications such as BTECs, CACHE, T Levels, and Applied Diplomas/Applied General Qualifications.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

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

GCSE, iGCSE and Nationals English and Maths for FE and Scottish Core Skills

Lot No

3

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Core textbooks, workbooks and revision guides that support the UK-wide curriculum.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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

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

Academic books that support L4 and Access to University courses supplied by FE

Lot No

4

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Textbooks that support a wider curriculum that assists learners studying and preparing for university.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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

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

Vocational content to support Apprentices

Lot No



5

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Textbooks, workbooks and guides that support apprentices succeed in their NVQs/SVQs

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

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

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

Lot No

6

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Titles relevant to the teaching of English to speakers of other languages

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

## **II.2) Description**

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

Award-agnostic titles and study skills

Lot No

7

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

- 80420000 - E-learning services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Content to support A Level and FE studies across the UK, independent of qualification or awarding body.

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

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

JSL wishes to put in place a framework that runs for an initial 2 years with the possibility of extension for a further 2 years subject to requirements and performance review.

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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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

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 35

**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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

7 March 2022

Local time

12:00pm

**IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted**

English

**IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

7 March 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

Jisc

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Jisc Services Limited 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 article 91 provides 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).