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Award

**Claire Forkner**

Jisc

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

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

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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>

**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**

Claire Forkner

Reference number

Proc1453

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

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

Jisc is seeking to enter an agreement with Digital Science & Research Solutions Inc. This agreement will give institutions the opportunity to license the reference and analytical product Dimensions Analytics, with preferential pricing. The service is being contracted on behalf of our members and not for Jisc's own use.

#### **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: £200,000

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

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

NUTS codes

- UK - UNITED KINGDOM

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

This agreement will give institutions the opportunity to license the reference and analytical product Dimensions Analytics, with preferential pricing. The service is being contracted on behalf of our members and not for Jisc's own use.

#### **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: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Digital Science & Research Solutions Inc. is the sole provider of this product. Therefore Jisc is clear that the arrangement falls within the IPR, contained within Regulation 32 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, permitting Jisc to enter into the direct award.

#### **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**

23 February 2021

#### **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**

Digital Science & Research Solutions Inc

625 Massachusetts Avenue

Cambridge

MA 02139

Country

United States

NUTS code

- 00 - Other NUTS code

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £200,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

The agreement is expected to run for 3 years.

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

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

Jisc Services Limited

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

[www.jisc.ac.uk](http://www.jisc.ac.uk)

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

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Jisc Services Limited will incorporate a standstill period at the point that information regarding the award of the contract is communicated to suppliers. This notification provides information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for suppliers 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).