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Contract

# **Ethics Module for Research Award Management System**

University of Aberdeen

F03: Contract award notice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

University of Aberdeen

University Office, King's College

Aberdeen

**AB24 3FX** 

#### **Email**

e-sourcing@abdn.ac.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

## http://www.abdn.ac.uk/procurement

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0010 2

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Education

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

Ethics Module for Research Award Management System

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 48000000 - Software package and information systems

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

#### II.1.4) Short description

Ethics Module for the University of Aberdeen's Research Award Management System. The module is supplementary to our existing system which there is already a contract in place for.

#### 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: £315,000

### II.2) Description

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

• 48000000 - Software package and information systems

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

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

Under Regulation 33 (1)(b)(ii) of the Public (Scotland) Regulations 2015, a contracting authority may award a contract without competition based on the following justification:

Competition is absent for technical reasons (only if it is not caused by artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement and no reasonable alternative or substitute exists).

In this particular case, the Ethics Module is supplementary to our existing Research Award Management System and a change from the incumbent provider would require reimplementation of the solution which would impact on institutional research management for approx 2 years internal resource would be required to implement a new system. It is not economically viable to fund the current system and an alternative.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The initial term of the contract is 5 years with 5 x optional extensions of 1 year

#### 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 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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - · absence of competition for technical reasons

#### **Explanation:**

Under Regulation 33 (1)(b)(ii) of the Public (Scotland) Regulations 2015, a contracting authority may award a contract without competition based on the following justification:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

#### Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

AU21/51

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### V.2) Award of contract

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

2 March 2022

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

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

Worktribe

4 Castle Boulevard

Nottingham

NG7 1FB

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £315,000

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.3) Additional information

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Aberdeen Sheriff Court

Aberdeen

Country

**United Kingdom**