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Award

Splunk

The University Of Kent

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Scope

Reference

26-003

Description

Renewal of Kent's existing Splunk software licence with Somerford. Somerford already provide support and led on design and implementation of our Splunk Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) service and can provide extra support and other benefits offered due to their position as an "Elite Splunk Professional Services Partner". Somerford's higher level of partnership gives them (and therefore Kent) access to other services such as free system health checks, free training sessions and access to a free service desk of experienced Splunk engineers. The free training has been used by several members of staff, and the healthcheck sessions have also proved very valuable at no additional cost to Kent. Kents Splunk software licence expires in Feb, and renewal is needed to continue the critical security and monitoring service it provides. £29684.44 Excl VAT

Contract 1

Supplier

- SOMERFORD ASSOCIATES LIMITED

Contract value

- £36,889 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

21 January 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

23 January 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 February 2026 to 17 February 2027
- 1 year

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services

Contract locations

- UKJ4 - Kent

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

Supplier

SOMERFORD ASSOCIATES LIMITED

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHXB-9925-VDZR

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United Kingdom

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Website: <https://www.somerfordassociates.com/>

Region: UKK14 - Swindon

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

The University Of Kent

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10007150
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDYN-9654-JPQJ

The Registry,

Canterbury

CT2 7NZ

United Kingdom

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Region: UKJ44 - East Kent

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government