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## Research Ethics System

The University Of Kent

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## Scope

## Description

A system to support automation and standardisation of the research ethics process.

Five year contract £181,421

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## Contract 1. Research ethics system

## Supplier

- [WORKTRIBE LTD](#)

## **Contract value**

- £181,421 excluding VAT
- £217,705.20 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

## **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

17 March 2025

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2030
- 5 years

## **Main procurement category**

Goods

## **CPV classifications**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 73110000 - Research services

## **Contract locations**

- UKJ4 - Kent
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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

### **Direct award justification**

Additional or repeat goods, services or works - extension or partial replacement

The public contract concerns the supply of goods, services or works by the existing supplier which are intended as an extension to, or partial replacement of, existing goods, services or works in circumstances where-

(a) a change in supplier would result in the contracting authority receiving goods, services or works that are different from, or incompatible with, the existing goods, services or works, and

(b) the difference or incompatibility would result in disproportionate technical difficulties in operation or maintenance.

Worktribe is already in use and therefore already integrated with key systems such as Staff Connect and UBW which will significantly reduce implementation costs. Ongoing maintenance costs in the form of staff time will also be minimised by consolidating systems. Ethics details can be linked to information on funded projects stored in the pre-award module.

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## Supplier

### WORKTRIBE LTD

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRGY-5139-LLQN

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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

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government