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Contract

## **National Professional Qualifications (NPQ) External Moderator**

Department for Education

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Department for Education

Sanctuary Buildings, 20, Great Smith Street

London

SW1P 3BT

#### **Email**

[npq.externalmoderation@education.gov.uk](mailto:npq.externalmoderation@education.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

#### **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com/>

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

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

#### **I.5) Main activity**

Education

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

National Professional Qualifications (NPQ) External Moderator

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

Services

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

Provision of external moderation services for the National Professional Qualifications.

#### **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: £6,490,792

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

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

- 80500000 - Training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

From autumn 2021, a new and updated suite of NPQs is available for teachers and leaders who want to develop their knowledge and skills in school leadership and specialist areas of teaching practice.

These reforms include:

- replacing the current NPQ in middle leadership with three new NPQs for teachers and leaders who want to develop their expertise in specialist areas of teaching practice
- reforming the three existing NPQs in senior leadership, headship and executive leadership.

Subject to a further invitation to tender for NPQ provision launched in November 2021, we also envisage two further new NPQs in Leading Literacy and Early Years Leadership will be available from September 2022.

As the appeal and value of NPQs depends on the quality and consistency of the qualification, faith in the assessment process is paramount. Checking for assessment consistency across NPQ Lead Providers is vital, alongside ensuring a reliable and fair process for all participants. To achieve this level of quality and consistency, the DfE is looking to contract with an organisation with the ability to deliver a robust system for the external moderation of NPQ summative assessments.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Service Delivery / Weighting: 70%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Price - Weighting: 20%

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract includes an option to extend the contract term by an additional 12 months and up to an additional £2.6m (ex-VAT).

This brings the potential maximum contract value to £9.5m (ex-VAT) over 5 years.

#### **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**

Open procedure

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-000128](#)

## **Section V. Award of contract**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

3 May 2022

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

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

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

Tribal Education Ltd

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £6,490,792

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court

Royal Court of Justices, The Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom