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Award

Industry Project Providers

University of Salford

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Scope

Description

The University of Salford is seeking a specialist industry engagement company to identify, secure, and manage industry-sourced Live Dissertation Projects for MSc students in Data Science, Artificial Intelligence (AI), and IoT with Data Science. The appointed company will act as an intermediary between industry partners, students, and the University.

Contract 1

Supplier

- Eden Smith

Contract value

- £115,200 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Award decision date

11 February 2026

Earliest date the contract will be signed

16 February 2026

Contract dates (estimated)

- 1 May 2026 to 1 May 2028
- 2 years, 1 day

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80300000 - Higher education services

Contract locations

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Information about tenders

- 3 tenders received
- 3 tenders assessed in the final stage:
 - 3 submitted by small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
 - 0 submitted by voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)
- 1 supplier awarded contracts
- 2 suppliers unsuccessful (details included for contracts over £5 million)

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Supplier

Eden Smith

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Essex

SS4 3AH

United Kingdom

Email: info@edensmith.co.uk

Region: UKH37 - Essex Thames Gateway

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

Contracting authority

University of Salford

- Charity Commission (England and Wales): RC000666
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDHR-3751-QPQR

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Salford

M5 4WT

United Kingdom

Email: procurement-finance@salford.ac.uk

Region: UKD34 - Greater Manchester South West

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government