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Contract

Research Data Equipment FAIR

Cardiff University

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-065482

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Cardiff University

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKL - Wales

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/business/why-work-with-us/for-suppliers>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0258

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Research Data Equipment FAIR

Reference number

CU.1845.TH

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32580000 - Data equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Replace the current Research Data Store (RDS) infrastructure with a new RDS system including backups and other forms of resilience

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: £1,400,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32580000 - Data equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL2 - East Wales

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Replace the current Research Data Store (RDS) infrastructure with a new RDS system including backups and other forms of resilience

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: ESG / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Mini-Competition conducted via a compliant framework

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

CU.1845.TH

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 February 2026

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

OCF LIMITED

Unit 5 Rotunda Business Centre, Thorncliffe Park

Chapelton, Sheffield

S352PG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE3 - South Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,400,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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