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#### Contract

# Test Operations Services 2025 con\_25418

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**

sta.tops25@education.gov.uk

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

#### https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education

## 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

Test Operations Services 2025 con\_25418

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Contract award notice for the Test Operations 2025 contract for the provision of supporting services for the National Curriculum Assessments. The Terms and Conditions contain a maximum of two optional test cycles to 31/01/2032.

#### 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: £128,410,451

## II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

#### **NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

The provision of all required supporting services to deliver National Curriculum Assessments including print, collation, scanning and marketing requirements, but excluding assessment formulation.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 20

#### II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Terms afford the Authority the option to extend the contract by up to two years until 31/01/2032.

#### 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

Competitive dialogue

### 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: <u>2022/S 000-030337</u>

### 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

15 April 2024

### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

Pearson Education Limited

London

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: £128,410,451

### V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Value or proportion likely to be subcontracted to third parties

Proportion: 31 %

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

Print, print stationery and market packs, print (Braille and tactile production), Tier 1 helpline support, logistics.

# **Section VI. Complementary information**

## VI.4) Procedures for review

## VI.4.1) Review body

The Royal Courts of Justice

London

Country

**United Kingdom**