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Award

Corporate Web Content Management System

University of the West of England

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-050416

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

University of the West of England

Frenchay Campus, Coldharbour Lane

Bristol

BS161QY

Email

purchasing@uwe.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKK12 - Bath and North East Somerset, North Somerset and South Gloucestershire

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.uwe.ac.uk/>

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

Corporate Web Content Management System

Reference number

335244

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72261000 - Software support services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Sitecore Experience Platform Renewal (22/12/2024 to 21/12/2027)

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: £216,867.93

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72415000 - World wide web (www) site operation host services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Sitecore Experience Platform Renewal (22/12/2024 to 21/12/2027)

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

This software solution was originally procured following a wider tender process for the implementation of a Web Transformation project at the University. The Sitecore software was identified by that process as the best fit for UWE's needs and a very competitively priced license was agreed. Going through a similar process to investigate alternative software vendors would require a similar scaled project and budget to achieve. As the UWE's ambitions have not changed within the project timescale are met by the current product, a tender to identify and implement an alternative would not offer significant advantages at this stage. The university has therefore negotiated rates for a further extension of 3 years with the current provider.

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/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

19 December 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Sitecore UK Limited

10 Eastbourne Terrace

London

W2 6LG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

05505160

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £216,867.93

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £216,867.93

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

University of the West of England

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom