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T830 Make Happen Quasi-DPS

University of Essex

F14: Notice for changes or additional information

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-018100

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02ce22

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

University of Essex

Colchester

Email

info@makehappen.org

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKH3 - Essex

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.makehappen.org>

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

T830 Make Happen Quasi-DPS

Reference number

DN62

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

An EU Light Touch procurement exercise which is compliant with the Public Contract Regulations 2015 will be undertaken to select suppliers for a Quasi-Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS) which will offer access to preapproved suppliers who can be appointed using a streamlined procurement process, ensuring the University obtains value for money whilst enabling the Office for Students' objectives to be achieved efficiently.

For clarity, this procurement is not a DPS as defined under the Public Contract Regulations 2015, Regulation

34, but is a Quasi-DPS as defined in the procurement documents. This is because Section 7 — Social and Other Specific Services are not subject to the full regulations of the procurement procedures, as they are covered by the light touch regime (the Light Touch Regime as allowed under Regulations 74 to 77).

The Quasi-DPS will be broken down into eight lots.

Estimated Quasi-DPS value excluding VAT between 0 GBP — 1 800 000 GBP.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: [2019/S 212-521029](#)

Section VII. Changes

VII.1.2) Text to be corrected in the original notice

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IV.2.2

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- reduce the gap in higher education participation between the most and least represented groups
- support young people to make well-informed decisions about their future education
- support effective and impactful local collaboration by higher education providers working together with schools, colleges, employers and other partners
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Phase three of Uni Connect aims to:

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