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Award

University Student Information System

UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA

F15: Voluntary ex ante transparency notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-035abd

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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NORWICH

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Companies House

RC000651

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.uea.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

University Student Information System

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This is a contract for the provision of a student information ("SITS") system for the University of East Anglia ("UEA"). Tribal Education Limited has been providing the service to UEA for a number of years and the proper and uninterrupted functioning of UEA's SITS system is vital to the institution. The current SITS system, provided by Tribal Education Limited, is now running as an unsupported version due to contract expiration. It is therefore paramount that SITS support is obtained, to negate the risk currently borne due to use of an unsupported system.

Following market research, UEA is of the opinion that its requirements can only be met by Tribal Education Limited. UEA has therefore contracted with Tribal Education Limited for the support and maintenance of its SITS service to ensure that it receives the latest update from Tribal, to a cloud based system, which will be fully supported to provide operational resilience to UEA for this core service.

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: £3,227,919

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKH15 - Norwich and East Norfolk

Main site or place of performance

University of East Anglia

Norwich Research Park

Earlham Road

Norwich

Norfolk

NR4 7TJ

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.11) Information about options

Options: 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:

UEA has determined that the award of this contract is permitted by Regulation 32(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 in that there are significant inter-operability requirements to deliver the next system update from Tribal. It follows that UEA has concluded that there is no reasonable alternative or substitute and this absence of competition is not the result of an artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement.

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

1 August 2022

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

Tribal Education Limited

Kings Orchard Queen Street, St. Philips

Bristol

BS2 0HQ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKK11 - Bristol, City of

Companies House

04163300

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £3,227,919

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The remedies rules are set out in Part 3 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Chancery Division of the High Court

Rolls Building, 7 Rolls Building, Fetter Lane,

London

EC4A 1NL

Country

United Kingdom