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## **University Student Information System**

UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA

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

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

UNIVERSITY OF EAST ANGLIA

Norwich Research Park,Earlham Road

NORWICH

NR47TJ

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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

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## **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

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## **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

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## **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

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## **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