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Contract

UKRI-3247 Springer Nature Read and Publish Agreement 2023-25

UK Research & Innovation

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-3247 Springer Nature Read and Publish Agreement 2023-25

Reference number

UKRI-3247

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79970000 - Publishing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The contract was awarded following a negotiated procedure without prior publication, in accordance with regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) of the Public Contract Regulations. This requirement is for the provision of publishing services.

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: £186,694

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF14 - Nottingham

Main site or place of performance

Nottingham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Agreement 2023-25 consists of a Springer Transformative Product (Read and Publish agreement) and a Nature Transformative Product (Read and Publish agreement) and brings together Springer, Palgrave Macmillan, and Nature Research journals into one Read and Publish agreement.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Cost criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 0

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

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

Explanation:

The published content for both reading, and publishing, is unique to the Supplier.

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

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

31 July 2023

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Jisc Services Limited

4 Portwall Lane

Bristol

BS1 6NB

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKK11 - Bristol, City of

National registration number

02881024

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £186,694

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Procurement Contract Transparency Data: Redacted contract documents will be made available within the next 30 days on the UKRI website at: <https://www.ukri.org/about-us/procurement-contract-transparency-data>.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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