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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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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKK14 - Swindon

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.ukri.org](http://www.ukri.org)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Research

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**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

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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 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

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## **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

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## **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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<https://ukri.delta-sourcing.com/delta/viewNotice.html?noticeId=799375826>

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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