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## **Provision of an existing bespoke training programme**

THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

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

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

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United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG31 - Birmingham

**Companies House**

RC000645

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.birmingham.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**

Provision of an existing bespoke training programme

Reference number

SC12920/24

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80510000 - Specialist training services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

This is for the provision of an existing MehdiWard UK LLP bespoke training programme for the UAE Ministry of Artificial Intelligence, in partnership with the University's Dubai

campus.

#### **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: £550,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- AE - United Arab Emirates

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Negotiated without a prior call for competition.

This is for the provision of an existing MehdiWard UK LLP bespoke training programme for the UAE Ministry of Artificial Intelligence, in partnership with the University's Dubai campus.

The University of Birmingham is looking to enter into a contract with MEHDIWARD UK LLP trading as Oxford Centre for Artificial Intelligence to deliver with us in partnership The Artificial Intelligence Programme for the United Arab Emirates Ministry of Artificial Intelligence. The programme was initially developed by MEHDIWARD UK LLP for the Ministry of Artificial Intelligence and delivered in partnership with another UK institution. This programme is now going to be delivered under the auspices of the University of Birmingham through our Dubai campus. MEHDIWARD are essential to enabling the delivery of the programme to which they own the IP and are the established delivery partner for the Ministry's Artificial Intelligence Programme.

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.1) Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

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

Explanation:

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MEHDIWARD are therefore critical to the delivery of the programme, which would not be able to be delivered without the award of this contract.

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

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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**

29 July 2024

#### **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**

Medhiward LLP

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

OC425425

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £550,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

University of Birmingham

Edgbaston

Country

United Kingdom