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Award

Nature Publishing Group Journals Agreement 2022-2023

Jisc

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e9a6

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Bristol

BS1 6NB

Contact

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

56579

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.jisc.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

Nature Publishing Group Journals Agreement 2022-2023

Reference number

Proc1694

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Jisc Services Limited are intending to contract with Springer Nature Publishing Group for 54 Nature Branded journals across the life, physical, applied sciences and more recently,

clinical medicine. Content encompasses daily news from award-winning journalists, expert opinion, practical methodology and high impact research and reviews.

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: £5,730,313

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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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

6 October 2021

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

Nature Publishing Group

The Campus, 4 Crinan Street

London

N1 9XW

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

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: £5,730,313

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Jisc Services Limited

4 Portwall Lane

Bristol

BS1 6NB

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Jisc Services Limited will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to suppliers. This notification provides information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for suppliers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 article 91 provides for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).