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Award

Elsevier ScienceDirect Journals Agreement 2022-2026

Jisc

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

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Main address

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

National Research and Education Network Provider

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Elsevier ScienceDirect Journals Agreement 2022-2026

Reference number

Proc1722

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 800000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Jisc is seeking to enter into a contract with Elsevier B.V. to offer Jisc members the opportunity to access ScienceDirect Journals. ScienceDirect provides access to over 1,850 full-text scientific, technical and medical (STM) journals managed by renowned editors, written by respected authors and read by researchers from around the globe. Elsevier's full-text collection covers titles from core scientific literature.

The contract will be for 5 years from 1st Jan 2022.

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: £6,065,656.59

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

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

II.2.14) Additional information

The contract value is an estimate based on the aggregate sum of the licence fees that will be paid to the supplier by Jisc member institutions over the one year term of the contract. Jisc Collections itself makes no payment to the supplier for this service.

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:
 - protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Explanation:

The supplier is the rightsholder to the IP of the content and the sole supplier of this unique resource. Therefore Jisc is clear that the arrangement falls within the protection of exclusive

rights, including intellectual property rights, contained within Regulation 32 (2) (b) (iii) of the

Public Contracts Regulations 2015, permitting Jisc to enter into the direct award.

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

21 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

Elsevier B.V.

RADARWEG 29

Amsterdam

1043 NX

Country

Netherlands

NUTS code

- NL - Netherlands

National registration number

Elsevier B.V.

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: £6,065,656.59

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

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).