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## **Virtual Study Trips**

Oxford Brookes University

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

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

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

**National registration number**

N/A

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.brookes.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**

Virtual Study Trips

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Students will be having the virtual study trips delivered to them. This trip is open to any MSc student at OBBS. All interactions are via Zoom. Leaders and managers from various organisations from around the world are contracted to meet our students and give them an insight into how theory can be implemented into practice. This initiative is in line with our strategy to enhance experiential learning at OBBS. Cost of contract may alter due to number of virtual trips and student numbers over the years. It has been estimated on 2 trips a year of around 100 students based on a 3 year contract.

#### **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: 150,000 USD

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

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 39162110 - Teaching supplies
- 80300000 - Higher education services

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

NUTS codes

- UKJ14 - Oxfordshire

Main site or place of performance

Oxford

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

We have done extensive research (online searches, travel management company guidance, sector discussions, etc) to find alternative suppliers that can provide the virtual trips that we require for our MSC students and have been unable to find another supplier that has engaged and is willing to / can provide the services we require.

#### **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**

### **Title**

Virtual Study Trips

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract/concession**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

29 August 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**

Austral Education Group, LLC

Región Metropolitana

Country

Chile

NUTS code

- CL - Chile

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: 150,000 USD

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Oxford Brookes University

Oxford

Country

United Kingdom