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Award

Maintenance and Support of the Banner Student Information Solution

Prifysgol Bangor / Bangor University

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Prifysgol Bangor / Bangor University

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Telephone

+44 1248383533

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKL12 - Gwynedd

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.bangor.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0340

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

Maintenance and Support of the Banner Student Information Solution

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72267100 - Maintenance of information technology software

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Bangor University intends to award a contract to Ellucian to August 2027 for the purchase of Banner software, technology and related services. Ellucian provide fully integrated student administration, admissions and HE software/support.

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: £315,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72267100 - Maintenance of information technology software

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKL12 - Gwynedd

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Ellucian are the software house who have written the Ellucian BANNER Student Record System. Only Ellucian are able to support their own product in terms of releasing upgrades and bug fixes to their own codebase.

Since the system's first installation, Bangor University has made significant investments in its staff, infrastructure, expertise, and capabilities. The Banner products also serve as the foundation for every step of the BU student experience. Owing to the Banner product's deep integration throughout the University's environment, BU plans to award Ellucian a contract through August 2027 in order to preserve a unified and comprehensive approach to the management of business procedures and student administration.

In order to minimise integration costs, maximise the benefits of centralised data management, and give university decision makers incisive business knowledge, the university will also benefit from a unified platform strategy.

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:

The University has determined that Ellucian's products, services, and support are the only ones that can satisfy its requirements because of the advantages of a fully integrated approach and the embedded use of these technologies, as previously mentioned. Certain characteristics of the necessary software, which are both necessary to meet university standards and capable of guaranteeing compatibility with the university's current systems, are protected by unique intellectual property rights.

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

28 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

ELLUCIAN GLOBAL LIMITED

12 New Fetter Lane

London

EC4A1JP

Telephone

+44 7594514369

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

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: £315,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court Royal Courts of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

This VEAT notice is alerting the market of the University's intention to award a contract via a sole source procedure. The University intends to award a contract once a 10 day standstill period (commencing on the date of publication of this notice) has ended.