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Contract

## **Figshare for Institutions (Scholarship Exchange) extension for 2 years**

THE OPEN UNIVERSITY

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

OUPA10593a

### **Description**

This amendment extends the term of the Scholarly Exchange Portal license and adjusts the associated fees.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- DIGITAL SCIENCE & RESEARCH SOLUTIONS INC.

### **Contract value**

- £45,833 excluding VAT
- £54,999.60 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Date signed**

24 February 2025

### **Contract dates**

- 24 February 2025 to 11 July 2025
- Possible extension to 11 July 2026
- 1 year, 4 months, 16 days

Description of possible extension:

The current contract extension runs from 9 January 2025 to 17 April 2027.

This is a formal update to the original agreement between The Open University and Digital Science & Research Solutions Inc. (DSRSI) for the use of the Figshare for Institutions - Scholarly Exchange Portal. While the amendment does not explicitly reference future extension clauses, extensions to this contract have historically been carried out through mutual written agreements.

## Amendment Date Purpose

30 April 2018 - Renewal/extension

2 April 2020 - Further term adjustment

10 March 2021 - Contract update

12 March 2024 - Preceding update to current

24 February 2025 - Current update extends term to 17 April 2027

## Main procurement category

Services

## CPV classifications

- 72222300 - Information technology services
- 72260000 - Software-related services

## Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

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## Procedure

### Procedure type

Below threshold - without competition

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## Supplier

### **DIGITAL SCIENCE & RESEARCH SOLUTIONS INC.**

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PRRY-2418-VZDG

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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## Contracting authority

### **THE OPEN UNIVERSITY**

- Charity Commission (England and Wales): RC000391

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PYNW-6296-ZJQQ

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government