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Jisc Services Ltd

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04102a

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

05747339

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

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Reference number

Proc2360

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Jisc seeks to offer its members the opportunity to publish open access articles in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America and to have read access to the titles. NAS is the rightsholder to these journals and the sole supplier of this resource.

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: 280,000 USD

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

This contract is for Jisc members to use.

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

Title

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

16 October 2023

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

National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

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WASHINGTON

Country

United States

NUTS code

• US - United States

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: 280,000 USD

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Jisc Services Ltd

4 Portwall Lane

Bristol

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Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Jisc Services Ltd 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).