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Contract

Library Resources, Software, and Associated Services

Crescent Purchasing Consortium Limited

Education

North Western Universities Purchasing Consortium Ltd

Public Sector

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

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

Library Resources, Software, and Associated Services

Reference number

CA14346 - CPC/LO/01/2024

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 22113000 - Library books

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

This proposal for Library Resources, Software, and Associated Services is a retender of the previous CPC Library Resources and Associated Services framework. There is an expanded scope for this iteration to include bespoke or off the shelf library software which is either proprietary or open source.

Any resulting framework from this exercise will be available to all further education institutions, universities, sixth forms, academies, schools, museums and other similar organisations who are current and future CPC members <https://www.thecpc.ac.uk/members/regions.php> <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/get-information-about-schools>. Local Authorities may wish to use the resulting framework when procuring on behalf of Educational Establishments. The tender is also available to members of NWUPC Ltd <https://www.nwupc.ac.uk/our-members> and the wider public sector <https://www.thecpc.ac.uk/suppliers/eligible-public-sector-bodies.php>

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £39,999,999.96

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1: Physical Print and Alternative Format Library Books

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22110000 - Printed books
- 22112000 - Textbooks
- 22100000 - Printed books, brochures and leaflets
- 22113000 - Library books

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot scope includes (but is not limited to) the supply of physical books for curriculum and pleasure across all ages and abilities, including textbooks, class sets, fiction and non-fiction material, graphic novels, magazines, in various languages, and including alternative formats such as large print, braille, audio visual and mixed media, available from e-catalogues or supplier websites. Additional services may include book processing, standing orders, collection curation, demand driven acquisition, and other services as required.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50.00%

Price - Weighting: 50.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 24 initial month(s) and option to extend 2x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

To be confirmed on a per-project basis

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

lot 2: Electronic and Alternative Format Library eBooks

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22112000 - Textbooks
- 22113000 - Library books

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot scope includes (but is not limited to) electronic books for curriculum and pleasure across all ages and abilities, including textbooks, class sets, fiction and non-fiction material, graphic novels, magazines, in various languages, accessible on various reading platforms across various devices and including alternative formats such as audiobook, large print, audio visual and mixed media available from e-catalogues or supplier websites. Services include standing orders, collection curation, demand driven acquisition, and other services as required.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50.00%

Price - Weighting: 50.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 24 initial month(s) and option to extend 2x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

To be confirmed on a per-project basis

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3: Journal and Periodical Subscription Services

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 22200000 - Newspapers, journals, periodicals and magazines
- 22113000 - Library books
- 22100000 - Printed books, brochures and leaflets
- 22211100 - Official journals
- 22211000 - Journals

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot scope includes (but is not limited to) subscription services for journals, and periodicals, including books series, yearbooks, indexes, magazines, newspapers, newsletters, and compilations of scholarly articles. The journals or periodicals can be physical, electronic or in an alternative format, accessible on various reading platforms across various devices, from various publishers, in various languages, available from e-catalogues or supplier websites. Services include standing orders, consolidation, demand driven acquisition, and other services as required.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50.00%

Price - Weighting: 50.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 24 initial month(s) and option to extend 2x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

To be confirmed on a per-project basis

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4: Library Software

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48161000 - Library management system
- 72212160 - Library software development services
- 48160000 - Library software package

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This Lot scope includes (but is not limited to) the onboarding, migration, hosting, development, infrastructure management, updating, implementation, support, maintenance, offboarding, and supply of library software including library management systems, library discovery services, and reading lists, which are open source, proprietary, or off the shelf in nature. Systems may also include additional tools such as book acquisition, stock management, reporting dashboards amongst others.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50.00%

Price - Weighting: 50.00%

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

48 month(s) from the commencement date, with 24 initial month(s) and option to extend 2x12 month(s)

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

To be confirmed on a per-project basis

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA14346

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1: Physical Print and Alternative Format Library Books

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

BOOKS ASIA LTD

114-116 Manningham Lane,

BRADFORD

BD8 7JF

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+44 7961518830

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.booksasia.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ProQuest

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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www.ebsco.com

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NN5 7RY

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Country

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NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.happiereverychapter.com

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Browns Books

Melton

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contracts@brownsbfs.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1482384660

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+44 1842384677

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.brownsbfs.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA14346

Lot No

2

Title

lot 2: Electronic and Alternative Format Library eBooks

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

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NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA14346

Lot No

3

Title

Lot 3: Journal and Periodical Subscription Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

www.prenax.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £5,000,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CA14346

Lot No

4

Title

Lot 4: Library Software

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 October 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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WATFORD

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Country

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NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

DEVOPSTER IT CONSULTANTS LTD

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.devopster-it.com>

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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www.xepos.co.uk

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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NUTS code

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

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NUTS code

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £4,999,999.98

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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United Kingdom

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Crescent Purchasing Consortia

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Contracting Authority will incorporate a minimum of a ten calendar day standstill period at the point that information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. If an appeal regarding the award of contract has not been successfully resolved then the Public Contract Regulations 2015, provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm, by breach of the rules to take action in the High Court. Any such action must be brought promptly

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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