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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-038678

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKN - Northern Ireland

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Main address

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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

27206

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 48812000 - Financial information systems

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Supply of Bloomberg Terminal and Anywhere Licences

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: 242,400 USD

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Supply of Bllomberg Terminal and Anywhere Licences

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

It is anticipated the contract will be for two years

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

The estimated total value stated above in Section 11.1.7 includes the two years

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The products involved are manufactured purely for the purpose of research, experiment, study or development
- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - o protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

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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

20 October 2022

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

Bloomberg Finance LP

731 Lexington Avenue

New York

NY 10022

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: 242,400 USN

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts Justice, Chicester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Any proceedings alleging that the University is in breach of its duties under the Public Contract Regulations 2015 must be started in the High Court of Northern Ireland, in accordance with the time limits set out in those Regulations. The University will not enter into the contract before the end of a period of at least 10 days beginning with the day after the date on which this voluntary transparency notice is published in the Official Journal.