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Contract

## **Student Admissions Support Service - University of Aberdeen**

University of Aberdeen

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

University of Aberdeen

University Office, King's College

Aberdeen

AB24 3FX

#### **Email**

[e-sourcing@abdn.ac.uk](mailto:e-sourcing@abdn.ac.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.abdn.ac.uk/procurement>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00102](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00102)

## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Student Admissions Support Service - University of Aberdeen

Reference number

AU22/62

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 66133000 - Processing and clearing services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

CONTRACT AWARD for Student Admissions Support Services.

#### **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: £196,000

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 66133000 - Processing and clearing services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM50 - Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire

## **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Under Regulation 33 (1)(b)(ii) of the Public (Scotland) Regulations 2015, a contracting authority may award a contract without competition based on the following justification:

Competition is absent for technical reasons (only if it is not caused by artificial narrowing down of the parameters of the procurement and no reasonable alternative or substitute exists).

Due to a significant increase in student applications which require imminent processing, the university requires an urgent solution to enhance its existing admissions processing capacity to allow it to process applications quickly and efficiently. QS Enrolment Solutions are sector leading in this area and have been identified due to their significant experience. Its focus is on the issuing of offers to suitably qualified applicants at pace, building admissions capacity, whilst utilising the University's systems processes and procedures.

## **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

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## **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 services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
  - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

AU22/62

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

21 November 2022

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

QS Enrolment Solutions Limited

1 Tranley Mews, Fleet Road

London

NW3 2DG

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £196,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Aberdeen Sheriff Court

Aberdeen

Country

United Kingdom