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Contract

## **Management and Delivery of Ulster University Business School (UUBS) Teaching Contracts in China**

University of Ulster

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-035538

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

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

University of Ulster

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#### **Region code**

UKN - Northern Ireland

**National registration number**

NIC100166

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.ulster.ac.uk](http://www.ulster.ac.uk)

**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**

Management and Delivery of Ulster University Business School (UUBS) Teaching Contracts in China

Reference number

27031

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

- 79620000 - Supply services of personnel including temporary staff

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

Services

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

Management and Delivery of Ulster University Business School (UUBS) Teaching Contracts in China

#### **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: £1,704,116

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

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

NUTS codes

- CN - China

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

Management and Delivery of Ulster University Business School (UUBS) Teaching Contracts in China

## **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

## **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

It is anticipated the contract will be for 2 years initially with an option to extend for any period(s) up and including 12 months.

## **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 II.1. and includes the full 2 year contract period with the option to extend for any period (s) up to and including 12 months.

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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

- Extreme urgency brought about by events unforeseeable for the contracting authority

Explanation:

Due to the on-going outbreak of COVID-19 and travel restrictions to and within China, Ulster University Business School staff remain unable to fulfil Ulster University's contractual teaching obligations on MoE Approved Joint Programmes with Hebei Geo University (HGU) and the Dongbei University of Finance & Economics (DUFEE). Ulster not being able to meet its teaching commitment, would constitute a breach of contract under the regulations governing the Joint-Programme sponsored by the MoE in China, and will

lead to the

withdrawal of the contract.

To ensure the continuation of their teaching obligations in China, Ulster University have appointed an in-country supplier to provide this service. CII are the current providers of this service and have demonstrated an ability to provide teaching services in line with the quality requirements as laid out in the MoE Contract and in line with Ulster's Recognised University Teacher processes.

It is the intention of Ulster University Business School to undertake an open tender for this service following the end of the contract period detailed in this VEAT notice and will use this contract period to draft the necessary tender documents with legal and financial advisors.

#### **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**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-020112](#)

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

#### **Contract No**

27031

#### **Title**

Management and Delivery of Ulster University Business School (UUBS) Teaching Contracts in China

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

22 November 2022

**V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

China Intellectual Education Institute

B301A, Building 18 No 1 Xueyuan Square, Shahekou District Dalian

Liaoning Province

Country

China

NUTS code

- CN - China

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,704,116

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University incorporated a minimum 10 calendar days standstill period at the point information on award of the contract was communicated to all tenderers. The standstill period provided time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide 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 (Northern Ireland).