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## **Postgraduate Student Virtual Internships**

ASTON UNIVERSITY

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0552c2

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

ASTON UNIVERSITY

Aston Triangle

Birmingham

B47ET

#### **Contact**

Matthew Bowcott

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG31 - Birmingham

**Royal Charter**

RC000904

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.aston.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**

Postgraduate Student Virtual Internships

Reference number

596

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79610000 - Placement services of personnel

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

The aim of the internship is to offer postgraduate students the opportunity to experience working with real companies in a field related to their career aspirations.

We are now expanding the scope of activity due to unforeseen reasons relating to demand for the scheme.

Please note the indicated value is based on an annual estimate of circa £410,500; this will be revisited in September 2025.

#### **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: £410,500

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

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

See Short Description (above).

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

Options: No

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

This notice relates to a previous notice (2022/S 000-022739) published in 2022.

## **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 procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Due to unforeseen change in demand.

#### **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/concession**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

8 September 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**

Virtual Internship Partners Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG31 - Birmingham

Companies House

11234698

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £410,500

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom