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Contract

## **Blackboard Virtual Learning Environment**

Buckinghamshire New University

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

BNU-2412-305

### **Description**

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This renewal will ensure continuity of services, access to support and updates, and the ability to scale and optimise usage based on future requirements. Given the University's long-standing investment in and integration with Blackboard VLE, renewing the Blackboard subscription is crucial to maintaining operational efficiency and supporting ongoing digital transformation initiatives.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- Blackboard International B.V.

### **Contract value**

- £1,164,100.33 excluding VAT
- £1,396,920.40 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Date signed**

18 June 2025

### **Contract dates**

- 1 July 2025 to 30 April 2031
- 5 years, 10 months

### **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 48190000 - Educational software package
- 72260000 - Software-related services

## **Contract locations**

- UKJ1 - Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire

## **Justification for not setting key performance indicators**

The contract is relatively simple and the value is less than £5million. KPIs are therefore not applicable to this contract.

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## **Other information**

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Direct award

## Direct award justification

Additional or repeat goods, services or works - extension or partial replacement

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## Supplier

### Blackboard International B.V.

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Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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## Contracting authority

### **Buckinghamshire New University**

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PZTZ-8956-MMQT

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government