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Contract

Legal Services Framework

University of Exeter

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/53042>

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

Legal Services Framework

Reference number

UOE/2024/101/JU

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79100000 - Legal services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The University of Exeter is looking to appoint a number of legal firms to a framework to provide expert advice and services in the following four areas:

Lot 1: Property and Estates

Lot 2: Employment and Higher Education

Lot 3: Commercial/Contractual and Intellectual Property

Lot 4: Patent Services

Two firms will be appointed to each of Lots 1 to 3. Three firms will be appointed to Lot 4.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1: Property & Estates

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Property & Estates

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2: Employment & Higher Education

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Employment & Higher Education

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 3: Commercial/Contractual and Intellectual Property

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Commercial/Contractual and Intellectual Property

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

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 4: Patent Services

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79111000 - Legal advisory services
- 79140000 - Legal advisory and information services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKK4 - Devon

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Patent Services

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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: [2025/S 000-004207](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1: Property & Estates

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2

Lot No

1

Title

Lot 1: Property & Estates

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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National registration number

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

3

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2: Employment & Higher Education

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

4

Lot No

2

Title

Lot 2: Employment & Higher Education

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 6

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 6

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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National registration number

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Lot No

3

Title

Lot 3: Commercial/Contractual and Intellectual Property

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

6

Lot No

3

Title

Lot 3: Commercial/Contractual and Intellectual Property

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 8

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 8

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Lot No

4

Title

Lot 4: Patent Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 14

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

8

Lot No

4

Title

Lot 4: Patent Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 14

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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National registration number

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

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Lot No

4

Title

Lot 4: Patent Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

17 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 14

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £375,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

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United Kingdom