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#### Contract

# **ProQuest One Literature and LION Complete** 2025-2027

Jisc Services Limited

F03: Contract award notice

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

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Bristol

BS16NB

#### Contact

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#### **Email**

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#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

# Region code

UK - United Kingdom

#### National registration number

02881024

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.jisc.ac.uk

Buyer's address

https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/87175

# 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

ProQuest One Literature and LION Complete 2025-2027

Reference number

Proc2708

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Jisc Services Limited has entered into a contract with ProQuest LLC. In addition to all the content contained in ProQuest Literature Online, ProQuest One Literature has been developed in collaboration with faculty, scholars and librarians leading the call for a comprehensive literature resource that employs the varied content they need to examine literary topics and voices for research, critical perspectives and teaching. This contract is for use by Jisc Members only and not for Jisc's own use.

#### 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: £2,237,546

# II.2) Description

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

80000000 - Education and training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

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

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#### 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

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:
  - o protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

#### **Explanation:**

The supplier is the rightsholder to the IP of the content and the sole supplier of this unique resource. Therefore, Jisc is clear that the arrangement falls within the protection of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights, contained within Regulation 32 (2) (b) (iii) of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, permitting Jisc to enter into the direct award.

# IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### 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: <u>2024/S 000-031414</u>

# Section V. Award of contract

#### **Contract No**

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

# V.2) Award of contract

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

12 December 2024

#### 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

**ProQuest LLC** 

The Quorum, Barnwell Road

Cambridge

CB5 8SW

Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,237,546

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.3) Additional information

The scope of the Framework covers purchases by Higher Education institutions, Further Education and Specialist Colleges and Research Council establishments in the UK, and by any other organisations connected to the Janet network, including Local Authorities, Regional Broadband Consortia, or other bodies whose core purpose is the support or advancement of further or higher education or of research.

The services are also available for use by any National Research and Education Network (NREN) and the community it serves where the NREN has either a direct connection to Janet or the NREN is a member at any time during the period of this framework of the consortium that operates GÉANT. GÉANT is the pan-European research and education network that interconnects Europe's NRENs. A list of members of the GÉANT consortium (GÉANT Partners) may be found at the URL below. GÉANT may also use this framework. As HEAnet, the NREN of the Republic of Ireland, is connected both to Janet and is a member of the GÉANT consortium, the framework is available for use by HEAnet, its subsidiaries, member institutions and customers to include schools serviced by the HEAnet school's network.

Many of the above organisations are members of higher and further education purchasing consortia. These consortia are independent organisations that provide a wide range of collaborative purchase agreements to their member institutions. Any member of one of these consortia will be eligible to purchase from this framework by virtue of its membership, as will members of any other similar purchasing consortium in higher or further education that might be formed during the lifetime of the framework.

Membership lists for existing higher and further education purchasing consortia may be found at:

https://www.lupc.ac.uk/member-list

https://www.supc.ac.uk/about-us/our-members/our-members

http://www.nwupc.ac.uk/our-members

http://www.neupc.ac.uk/our-members

http://www.hepcw.ac.uk/members/

http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk/#!/members

http://www.geant.net/About/Pages/home.aspx

#### https://www.heanet.ie/about

# VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Jisc Services Limited

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Bristol

BS16NA

**Email** 

procurement@jisc.ac.uk

Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Jisc Services Limited incorporated a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract was shared by means of a VEAT notice. This notification provided information on the award decision. The standstill period, which was for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provided time for suppliers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 article 91 provides 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 (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).