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Contract

## **2425-32-DTS-RLD Online Reading Lists software (Talis Aspire)**

Sheffield Hallam University

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Sheffield Hallam University

City Campus

Sheffield

S11WB

#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKE32 - Sheffield

**UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number)**

10005790

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.shu.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**

2425-32-DTS-RLD Online Reading Lists software (Talis Aspire)

Reference number

2425-32-DTS-RLD

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

- 72260000 - Software-related services

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

Services

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

Sheffield Halam University has purchased the online software, TALIS Aspire Unlimited. This was purchased under the APUC Framework Agreement ITS1062 AP - Library Management Systems and associated services, Lot 2.

Talis Aspire Unlimited includes the following:

Talis Aspire Reading Lists - A digital platform for managing and sharing academic reading lists.

Copyright Clearance - Integrated service to ensure compliance with copyright regulations.

Advanced MIS (Management Information System) - Enhanced reporting and analytics capabilities.

#### **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: £203,185.45

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

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

- 79995000 - Library management services

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

NUTS codes

- UKE32 - Sheffield

Main site or place of performance

Sheffield

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

This purchase will support academic staff and students by streamlining access to course materials, improving copyright compliance, and enhancing data-driven decision-making within library services.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80%

Price - Weighting: 20%

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract is for 3 years with an option to extend the contract for a further 1 year

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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

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

A compliant direct award was made after carrying out a desk top exercise under Lot 2 of the APUC Framework Agreement ITS1062 AP - Library Management Systems and Associated Services.

#### **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**

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

31 July 2025

#### **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**

Talis Education Ltd

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

Companies House

07196638

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £203,185.45

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

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

Sheffield Hallam University

Sheffield

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Country

United Kingdom