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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

# **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

## 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

## 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

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Sheffield Hallam University

Sheffield

**S1 1WB** 

Country

United Kingdom