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Contract

## **iCT-24-033 - Education Authority Pre-School Standardisation Online Portal Development**

the Education Authority

F20: Modification notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-063146

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-043b03

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### **Section I: Contracting authority/entity**

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

the Education Authority

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Belfast

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#### **Contact**

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[ict.procure@eani.org.uk](mailto:ict.procure@eani.org.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

iCT-24-033 - Education Authority Pre-School Standardisation Online Portal Development

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

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

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

Services

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

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

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement at the time of conclusion of the contract:**

The contract is in place to provide an Outsystem Development and Managed Service.  
This has

been awarded via a direct award call-off from G-Cloud 14 framework.

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Duration in months

36

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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## Section IV. Procedure

### IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.1) Contract award notice concerning this contract

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## Section V. Award of contract/concession

### Contract No

ICT-24-033

### V.2) Award of contract/concession

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract/concession award decision:

3 February 2025

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Version 1 Solutions Limited

Grosvenor House, Prospect Hill, Redditch, Worcestershire, B97 4DL

Redditch

Email

[info@version1.com](mailto:info@version1.com)

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.version1.com/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

**V.2.4) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (at the time of conclusion of the contract;excluding VAT)**

Total value of the procurement: £800,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The call off contract was awarded via G-Cloud 14 on 03/02/2025. EA have modified the call off by increasing the contract value from. £800,000 to £1,200,000. This modification for additional value meets the conditions of Reg 72(1)(b):. This is for additional services. that have become necessary and were unforeseen when initially procuring the contract.. Besides the time needed to manage a new. procurement, a new supplier would require time to onboard, understand the complex landscape, and build relationships—delaying. progress and potentially leading to missteps or rework. Valuable contextual knowledge and insights gained through prior engagement. would be lost, disrupting the flow of work and undermining the efficiencies already achieved. In a programme of this scale and complexity,. such disruption could significantly impact timelines, stakeholder confidence, and the overall success of the project. . A new procurement. for these services would cause delay, incur further costs and resource implications to manage such a procurement, and there would be a. delay to the overall project which will be of significant inconvenience to EA.. The value of the proposed modification (i.e. £400k) does not. exceed 50% of the original contract value which is £800k..

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

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

The UK does not have any special review body with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures in public procurement competitions.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

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## **Section VII: Modifications to the contract/concession**

### **VII.1) Description of the procurement after the modifications**

#### **VII.1.1) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

#### **VII.1.3) Place of performance**

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

#### **VII.1.4) Description of the procurement:**

An Outsystem Development and Managed Service to extend EA Connect Portal to provide additional functionality for the Pre School Education Programme

#### **VII.1.5) Duration of the contract, framework agreement, dynamic purchasing system or concession**

Start date

10 February 2025

End date

9 February 2028

#### **VII.1.6) Information on value of the contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot/concession:

£1,200,000

#### **VII.1.7) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire**

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.version1.com/>

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

## **VII.2) Information about modifications**

### **VII.2.1) Description of the modifications**

Nature and extent of the modifications (with indication of possible earlier changes to the contract):

To increase the contract by £400,000 bringing new contract value to £1,200,000.00 for additional services

### **VII.2.2) Reasons for modification**

Need for additional works, services or supplies by the original contractor/concessionaire.

Description of the economic or technical reasons and the inconvenience or duplication of cost preventing a change of contractor:

the modification is for additional services that have become necessary and were unforeseen when initially procuring the contract.. Besides the time needed to manage a new

procurement, a new supplier would require time to onboard, understand the complex landscape, and build relationships—delaying

progress and potentially leading to missteps or rework. Valuable contextual knowledge and insights gained through prior engagement

would be lost, disrupting the flow of work and undermining the efficiencies already achieved. In a programme of this scale and complexity,



such disruption could significantly impact timelines, stakeholder confidence, and the overall success of the project. . A new procurement

for these services would cause delay, incur further costs and resource implications to manage such a procurement, and there would be a

delay to the overall project which will be of significant inconvenience to EA..

### **VII.2.3) Increase in price**

Updated total contract value before the modifications (taking into account possible earlier contract modifications, price adaptations and average inflation)

Value excluding VAT: £800,000

Total contract value after the modifications

Value excluding VAT: £1,200,000