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## **E-Tendering System**

Oxford Brookes University

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### **Scope**

### **Description**

It is determined that only one specific supplier can deliver the technical capabilities essential to meeting the University's mandatory requirements for pre-market activities under the new statutory framework.

Oxford Brookes University (OBU) is seeking to appoint a new e-tendering and procurement system provider for the next three years. A fundamental requirement of this new system, essential for compliance and best practice under the Procurement Act 2023 (PA23), is the integrated Market Analytics element.

This integrated Market Analytics tool is critically necessary to enable OBU to undertake comprehensive desk-top market analysis and intelligence gathering prior to formally commencing any PA23 pre-market engagement activities. This capability ensures that OBU's procurement strategy is evidence-based, proportionate, and fully compliant with early-stage PA23 duties regarding market understanding and engagement planning.

Following extensive internal technical analysis and market scoping:

1. The specific and unique functionality offered by the Market Analytics solution, particularly its depth of data integration and advanced desktop analysis capabilities relevant to pre-market intelligence, is a proprietary element of the proposed provider's e-

tendering platform.

2. The University confirms that this specific, necessary Market Analytics solution was only available with this supplier; no alternative provider within the e-tendering market can offer this equivalent, integrated, and technically specific pre-market analytical capability required by the University to efficiently fulfil its PA23 compliance requirements.

Therefore, due to the unique, proprietary, and technically specific nature of the essential Market Analytics component, the University is proceeding with a Direct Award to this single supplier to ensure the immediate and effective implementation of a system capable of meeting critical statutory and operational needs.

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## **Contract 1**

### **Supplier**

- BIP SOLUTIONS LIMITED

### **Contract value**

- £40,575 excluding VAT
- £48,690 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

### **Earliest date the contract will be signed**

23 October 2025

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 23 October 2025 to 23 October 2025
- 1 day

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **Options**

The right to additional purchases while the contract is valid.

Procurement system modules.

## **CPV classifications**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems
- 72500000 - Computer-related services

## **Contract locations**

- UKC - North East (England)
- UKD - North West (England)
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber
- UKF - East Midlands (England)
- UKG - West Midlands (England)
- UKH - East of England

- UKI - London
- UKJ - South East (England)
- UKK - South West (England)

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## **Participation**

### **Particular suitability**

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Below threshold - without competition

### **Special regime**

Concession

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## **Supplier**

**BIP SOLUTIONS LIMITED**

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- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PBTM-5917-ZXVM

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Glasgow

G51 1DZ

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Region: UKM82 - Glasgow City

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Contract 1

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## **Contracting authority**

### **Oxford Brookes University**

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10004930
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PPGL-1164-DJLT

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government