

440702-2026 - Direct award preannouncement

Ireland – Business and management consultancy services – Global Academic Reputation Survey for Trinity College Dublin

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Voluntary ex-ante transparency notice

Services

1. Buyer

1.1. Buyer

Official name: Trinity College Dublin the University of Dublin_336

Email: hartnetb@tcd.ie

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law

Activity of the contracting authority: Education

2. Procedure

2.1. Procedure

Title: Global Academic Reputation Survey for Trinity College Dublin

Description: Trinity College Dublin proposes the direct award of a one-year service contract to Times Higher Education (THE). THE manages a Global Academic Reputation Survey, the output of which is used in determining the THE World University Rankings (WUR). The proposed contract is for the provision of professional services to develop enhanced in-house capabilities in global reputation promotion with the aim to improve our performance across THE's reputation-driven indicators in its WUR.

Procedure identifier: 40e1e8a4-822f-4e32-b206-8b34bcb6badd

Type of procedure: Negotiated without prior call for competition

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 79410000 Business and management consultancy services

2.1.2. Place of performance

Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)

Country: Ireland

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

5. Lot

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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5.1.6. General information

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA): yes

5.1.7. Strategic procurement

Aim of strategic procurement: No strategic procurement

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: The High Court of Ireland

Organisation providing more information on the review procedures: The High Court of Ireland

6. Results

Value of all contracts awarded in this notice: 70 000,00 EUR

Direct award

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Justification for direct award: The contract can be provided only by a particular economic operator because of exclusive rights, including intellectual property rights

Other justification: Times Higher Education is the sole owner and operator of the World University Rankings and Global Academic Reputation Survey. The required services rely on proprietary methodology, data, and analytical insights that are exclusively available from Times Higher Education. No reasonable alternative supplier can provide the equivalent services.

6.1. Result lot identifier: LOT-0001

6.1.2. Information about winners

Winner:

Official name: THE World Universities Insights Ltd

Tender:

Tender identifier: TCD-26-C2477

Identifier of lot or group of lots: LOT-0001

Contract information:

Identifier of the contract: TCD-26-C2477

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Trinity College Dublin the University of Dublin_336

Registration number: CHY 11

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Town: Dublin

Postcode: D02 XH97

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Country: Ireland

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Buyer profile: <https://www.tcd.ie>

Roles of this organisation:

Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

Official name: The High Court of Ireland
Registration number: The High Court of Ireland
Department: The High Court of Ireland
Postal address: Four Courts, Inns Quay, Dublin 7
Town: Dublin
Postcode: D07 WDX8
Country subdivision (NUTS): Dublin (IE061)
Country: Ireland
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Telephone: +353 1 8886000

Roles of this organisation:

Review organisation
Organisation providing more information on the review procedures

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: European Dynamics S.A.
Registration number: 002024901000
Department: European Dynamics S.A.
Town: Athens
Postcode: 15125
Country subdivision (NUTS): Βόρειος Τομέας Αθηνών (EL301)
Country: Greece
Email: eproc-esender@eurodyn.com
Telephone: +30 2108094500

Roles of this organisation:

TED eSender

8.1. ORG-0004

Official name: THE World Universities Insights Ltd
Size of the economic operator: Micro, small, or medium
Registration number: 11254317
Postal address: 98 Theobalds Road
Town: London
Postcode: WC1X 8WB
Country: United Kingdom

Roles of this organisation:

Tenderer

Winner of these lots: LOT-0001

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