

Ireland – Other community, social and personal services – This is a voluntary ex ante transparency (VEAT) notice. This notice acknowledges that the Higher Education Authority proposes to contract with Advance HE for the continued provision of support and in respect of the administration of the Athena Swan Charter.

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Voluntary ex-ante transparency notice

Services

1. Buyer

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Official name: Higher Education Authority

Email: info@hea.ie

Legal type of the buyer: Body governed by public law

Activity of the contracting authority: Education

2. Procedure

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Procedure identifier: db9b4b57-fa92-4495-aa67-7c472ab1659b

Type of procedure: Negotiated without prior call for competition

2.1.1. Purpose

Main nature of the contract: Services

Main classification (cpv): 98000000 Other community, social and personal services

2.1.4. General information

Legal basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

5.1. Lot: LOT-0001

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5.1.6. General information

Procurement Project not financed with EU Funds.

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

5.1.15. Techniques

Framework agreement: No framework agreement

Information about the dynamic purchasing system: No dynamic purchase system

5.1.16. Further information, mediation and review

Review organisation: The High Court of Ireland

TED eSender: European Dynamics S.A.

6. Results

Value of all contracts awarded in this notice: 1 200 000,00 EUR

Direct award:

Justification for direct award:

The contract can be provided only by a particular economic operator because of an absence of competition for technical reasons

Other justification: In accordance with Article 32(5)b of Directive 2014/24/EU. Specifically, the contract renewal constitutes additional deliveries by the original supplier. A change of supplier would oblige the contracting authority to acquire material having different technical characteristics which would result in disproportionate technical difficulties in operation.

8. Organisations

8.1. ORG-0001

Official name: Higher Education Authority
Size of the economic operator: Medium
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Roles of this organisation:
Buyer

8.1. ORG-0002

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Registration number: The High Court of Ireland
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Roles of this organisation:
Review organisation

8.1. ORG-0003

Official name: European Dynamics S.A.
Registration number: 002024901000
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Roles of this organisation:
TED eSender

11. Notice information

11.1. Notice information

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