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Fresh Fruit and Vegetables

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Key Information

Framework Start Date	03/10/2022
Current End Date	02/10/2025

Framework Suppliers

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Arthur David (Food with Service) Ltd
Bidfresh Limited T/A Oliver Kay
Brakes Bros
Bwydydd Oren Foods LTD
Country Fresh Foods
Dole T/A Mark Murphy
Foodari
Fresh Connect Ltd
Fresh Direct (UK) Limited t/a Sysco Speciality Group
Fresh N Fruity (UK) Ltd
Freshview Foods
GW Price
George Anderson and Sons
Harvest Fine Foods
Holland Bazaar Limited
J & R
John Palin (Wholesale) Ltd
Kale & Damson
McLays Ltd
Millside Barrowcliffe
North Down Group
Ralph Livesey
Reynolds Catering Supplies Ltd
Set Produce Ltd
Start Fresh Ltd
Urban Grocer

Scope of Requirements

The purpose of this framework agreement is to deliver an efficient and compliant route to market for participating public bodies, by minimising the resource required to carry out a full tender process and providing value for money.

This framework agreement was procured via the restricted procedure tendering process and advertised via InTend on UK Find a Tender with the reference: 2022/5 000-012652. The agreement was divided into geographical lots:

LOT Geographical position

Lot 1 London
Lot 2 North West (England)
Lot 3 North East (England)
Lot 4 Yorkshire & Humber
Lot 5 West Midlands (England)
Lot 6 East Midlands (England)
Lot 7 South East (England)
Lot 8 South West (England)
Lot 9 South East (England)
Lot 10 North Wales
Lot 11 South Wales
Lot 12 Scotland
Lot 13 Northern Ireland

Accessibility

This framework agreement has been tendered by TUCO Ltd. To learn more about TUCO Ltd, please see www.tuco.ac.uk. Members of the following organisations can access this framework agreement:

Advance Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC)
Higher Education Purchasing Consortium Wales (HEPCW)
London Universities Purchasing Consortium (LUPC)
North Western Universities Purchasing Consortium (NWUPC)
North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium (NEUPC)
Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)
TUCO Ltd (TUCO)

Universities opting out of the PCRs and / or their partners can access this agreement and are not bound by the call off procedure which applies to contracting authorities.

Call Off Method

Call-off from this framework agreement is by means of i) direct award ii) combination ranked and further-competition and iii) further-competition
Institutions will determine the correct lot to use when placing a call-off contract from the framework agreement by assessing their requirement against the available lots.

Institutions can choose how many suppliers they wish to award to as long as this is made clear to the participating suppliers at the start of the call-off process.

Responsible Procurement

The NETpositive Supplier Engagement Tool will be used as part of contract management.

At Selection Suppliers were assessed for:

- Compliance with the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act 2015
- Payment of the Real Living Wage

Added Value

3. What are the Benefits of Using this Agreement?

There are several benefits to using this framework:

- It is free to use for customers.
- Eliminates the need for organisations to individually undertake their own full procurement exercise, which saves time and resources.
- Simplifies the process and removes the cost to public sector bodies in procuring the services and providers.
- Legally compliant framework agreement developed within the EU/UK public procurement regulations.
- Consistent terms & conditions of contract.
- Opportunity for further savings through further competition.
- TUCO regularly audit the nominated suppliers to assist in the management and reduction of food safety risks.

General benefits of TUCO membership:

- Delivering annual savings to members in excess of £15million
- £146million+ annual spend
- Giving members access to almost 300 quality-assured suppliers
- 21 EU-compliant framework agreements
- Full time CIPS qualified team dedicated to cutting costs
- No barriers to entry – 80% of TUCO suppliers are SMEs or micro enterprises
- Award-winning training academy
- In-depth, insightful market intelligence through TUCO research
- Sharing best-practice through member case studies
- Access to added-value benefits such as:
 - TUCO Online: a revolutionary web-based eProcurement system that provides a dynamic online purchasing portal
 - Further Competitions: a personalised procurement service that is FREE to members - we work with your staff to offer as much or as little support as they need, freeing them up to focus on other areas.

For further information, please refer to the [Buyers Guide](#)

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