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Network Solutions

Contracting Authority **JISC**

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Key Information

Framework Start Date	01/06/2025
Current End Date	31/05/2027
Procurement Regulation	PCR2015

Framework Suppliers

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Axians (formerly T/A Imtech ICT Ltd)
BT
Block Solutions Ltd
Boxxe (Formally trading as CAE Technology Services Limited)
CDW Limited
Charterhouse Voice and Data Ltd
Circle IT Solutions Limited
Conscia Group UK Limited
Convergence (Group Networks) Limited
European Electronique Ltd
IP-Performance Ltd
KORIS365 UK LIMITED
KUBUS GROUP LIMITED
Khipu Networks
NET CONSULTING LTD
NOMIOS UK&I LIMITED
ROC Technologies Ltd
SWITCH SFP LIMITED
SWITCHSHOP LTD
Softcat PLC
Specialist Computer Centres plc (SCC)
The Networking People (TNP) Limited
Vizst Technology Ltd
XANTARO UK LTD.

Scope of Requirements

The network solutions framework offers a simple, quick and compliant route to procuring network equipment and supporting services at the best prices.

The framework agreement covers the supply and support of a broad range of wired and wifi network equipment and additional services, including:

Devices with Firewall capabilities
Low-end customer premises equipment (CPE)
Mid-range enterprise, and high-end carrier-class type equipment supporting up to 100 Gigabit Ethernet and above
Converged network adapters
Interface modules
Transceivers, access points and similar equipment
Associated ancillary goods including, but not limited to, software, cabling and installation
Associated services including but not limited to development days, project management, resident engineer professional services and fully managed solutions

This framework launched on 1 June 2025.

More information is available via <https://www.jisc.ac.uk/network-solutions-framework>

You can hear about the new network solutions framework, and how using it can help tertiary education institutions, research organisations and public sector bodies save time and money procuring network equipment and associated services. Watch a recording of the event Smart, simple, compliant: unlocking value with our new network solutions framework: <https://www.jisc.ac.uk/events/smart-simple-compliant-unlocking-value-with-jiscs-new-network-solutions-framework>

Accessibility

Jisc procurement and supplier management are working with our accessibility colleagues to incorporate accessibility into our procurement processes where relevant.

<https://www.jisc.ac.uk/accessibility>

Lot Information

1 : Cisco

Block Solutions Ltd
Boxxe (Formally trading as CAE
Technology Services Limited)
CDW Limited
Conscia Group UK Limited
Softcat PLC

2 : Extreme

Charterhouse Voice and Data Ltd
Circle IT Solutions Limited
Convergence (Group Networks) Limited
Softcat PLC
Vizst Technology Ltd

3 : HPE Aruba

CDW Limited
European Electronique Ltd
Khipu Networks
ROC Technologies Ltd
Softcat PLC
SWITCHSHOP LTD

4 : Juniper

Axians (formerly T/A Imtech ICT Ltd)
Block Solutions Ltd
IP-Performance Ltd
KUBUS GROUP LIMITED
ROC Technologies Ltd
Softcat PLC

5 : Palo Alto

CDW Limited
Khipu Networks

6 : Fortinet

Boxxe (Formally trading as CAE
Technology Services Limited)
European Electronique Ltd
ROC Technologies Ltd
Softcat PLC
Specialist Computer Centres plc (SCC)
SWITCHSHOP LTD

7 : Infoblox

Khipu Networks
Vizst Technology Ltd

8 : Netscout

Khipu Networks
NET CONSULTING LTD

9 : Nokia

Axians (formerly T/A Imtech ICT Ltd)
Khipu Networks
NOMIOS UK&I LIMITED
XANTARO UK LTD.

10 : Adtran

Axians (formerly T/A Imtech ICT Ltd)

11 : Arista

KORIS365 UK LIMITED

12 : BlueCAT

Call Off Method

Where the customer is seeking to run a mini competition, all suppliers must be invited. Customers can utilise their own e-procurement platforms, and are responsible for ensuring that the suppliers are registered and are invited to submit. Copies of the contract pro-forma and mini-competition templates are available via Hunter or frameworkcontracts@jisc.ac.uk.

Direct award via the framework

This framework agreement offers buyers a direct award option to the first ranked supplier under the relevant Lots. Buyers can issue a Request for Quote (RFQ) or similar document that contains their specific requirements. Buyers must make it explicit that the direct award is under the Network Solutions Framework (Proc2719).

Mini-competition via this framework

Buyers have the option to run a mini competition against their specific requirement. A mini-competition template is available with guidance on how to draft your requirements. When reopening competition, each buyer must use the evaluation criteria used to establish the Framework, however, the use of the framework criteria and weightings is at the discretion of the buying organisation. More guidance is available as part of the mini-competition template.

IP-Performance Ltd

13 : Efficient IP

European Electronique Ltd

14 : FlexOptic

The Networking People (TNP) Limited

15 : Forescout

BT

Vizst Technology Ltd

17 : Gigamon

Vizst Technology Ltd

18 : Ivanti Pulse Secure

IP-Performance Ltd

20 : Ruckus

BT

IP-Performance Ltd

KORIS365 UK LIMITED

21 : Smart Optics

Axians (formerly T/A Imtech ICT Ltd)

22 : Vertiv

IP-Performance Ltd

23 : Wallix

IP-Performance Ltd

24 : Precision Optical Technologies

XANTARO UK LTD.

25 : Switch SFP

SWITCH SFP LIMITED

Responsible Procurement

Supplier qualification requirements can be found in Part 2 Assurance questions. This included assessments regarding Modern Slavery, Environmental Management, and Electronics Watch. Jisc is committed to procuring in a responsible manner to ensure all goods, services, works, and utilities protect and benefit society, the environment and the economy in line with legislation. We are always looking to improve our practices. In our membership of Electronics Watch, we recently agreed to work collaboratively to strengthen corporate accountability and promote the effective implementation of human rights due diligence. Find out more in our public bodies collaborate on supply chain responsibility in the ICT sector document (.docx). <https://repository.jisc.ac.uk/9789/1/Public-bodies-collaborate-on-supply-chain-responsibility-in-the-ICT-sector.docx>

Added Value

We work with technical experts, equipment manufacturers and market partners to create a framework with distinct advantages over the other current networks. We offer:

No need to use a full procurement process

Call-offs allowing for reduced timescales between identifying a need and fulfilling it

Reduced administration costs

Sector-best prices thanks to our competitive tendering process

Simple legal compliance

Robust terms that suit the needs of the public sector

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

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