**SUMMARY**

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End date: 30th September, 2021  
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**SCOPE**

The types of services supplied under the framework may include, but are not limited to,

- Legal advice, guidance, pre-filing of searches, development of protection strategy, and licensing and registration services on all matters relating to the creation, development and protection of patents, trademarks, copyright, design rights and trade secrets, and intellectual property rights.
- Maintenance and renewal of existing trademarks, patents, design rights and other associated registrations, licenses and certifications.
- Internet and domain reporting.
- Trademark watching.
- IP and design rights licensing to other parties.
- Regular reporting and updates on member's patent, trademark and IPR portfolio.
- Due diligence on new product development and the potential for IP protection and infringement.

**AGREEMENT BENEFITS**

Volume discounts are available with some suppliers.

- Up to 26% savings on some lots
- Process Savings from Use of Collaborative Arrangements
- Potential to increase savings and value for money through further competition
- EU compliant procedure
- Suppliers will provide their own overview of services for the Buyers Guide, making it easier to select specialist or niche requirements
- Value-added services may include briefings and training, 30 minutes free advice on new matters, Student placements and internships, secondment opportunities for HE staff

**USING THE FRAMEWORK**

Please see Buyers Guide and associated documentation.

**SUPPLIERS**
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<td>Lot 1 - Non patentable IPR services</td>
<td>Appleyard Lees (Halifax) LLP, Barker Brettell LLP, Freeths LLP, Mathys &amp; Squire LLP, Mills &amp; Reeve LLP, Murgitroyd &amp; Co Ltd, Potter Clarkson LLP, VWV, Venner Shipley LLP, Ward Hadaway, Williams Powell, Wilson Gunn,</td>
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<td>Appleyard Lees (Halifax) LLP, Barker Brettell LLP, Mathys &amp; Squire LLP, Mills &amp; Reeve LLP, Murgitroyd &amp; Co Ltd, Potter Clarkson LLP, Secerna LLP, Swindell &amp; Pearson, Urquhart Dykes &amp; Lord, Venner Shipley LLP, Williams Powell, Wilson Gunn,</td>
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**SUSTAINABILITY**

Registration with Net-positives and provision of an action plan is a condition of award set out in the ITT.

**NEXT STEPS**