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Tender

Virtual Production Studio Equipment & Installation

University of Ulster

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0289c6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKN - NORTHERN IRELAND

National registration number

NIC100166

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ulster.ac.uk

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Virtual Production Studio Equipment & Installation

Reference number

Project_26075

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 92111000 - Motion picture and video production services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Virtual Production Studio Equipment & Installation

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £550,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32211000 - Broadcast production equipment
- 92100000 - Motion picture and video services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - NORTHERN IRELAND

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Detailed Requirements

1. Design a virtual production solution and specification to a UK or British standard (transposing European Standards) within the scale and scope of the project that can provide several core elements including a video wall (approx. £180-200k spend on screens minimum), tracking system and camera to work with the video wall, a virtual camera rig to work in a green screen environment at the same location, the computing solution to support virtual production in real-time against the LED wall and in a green screen studio using game engine technology to provide the core assets onscreen. Other aspects of the design include the provision of a full body motion capture and facial capture rig plus necessary computing provision. All to be installed in an existing studio facility on the 5th floor in our Belfast campus. The equipment will be used for teaching students about virtual production, on student productions and for working with industry on research projects. The facility is therefore primarily going to be used by students in the execution of coursework, research projects and other creative projects to maximise learning opportunities in the field of virtual production. Students using the facility will come from Film, TV, Gaming and Animation backgrounds primarily. The facility will also support training and development of local industry partners.
2. Source, order and supply virtual production equipment meeting UK or British standards as per the specification outlined at point 1 above. The supplier will be responsible for providing a turnkey solution within the cost parameters and ensure the delivery of all goods on site by end of February 2021 ready for installation (if not sooner).
3. Install the virtual production technology solution at York Street, Belfast The installation, testing and calibration of the system solution as a turn key provision. System to be left fully operational, calibrated and tested before completion.
4. Offer 3 days training to technical and academic staff on site

Supplier to provide expert training to Ulster University technical and academic staff for three days on the system when installed.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £600,000

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

End date

31 March 2021

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

1.Design 1 Week

2. Supply 1-2 months

3. Installation 1-2 months

4. Training 3 days

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

Expediency required due to Grant funding timelines

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

2 February 2021

Local time

3:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

2 February 2021

Local time

3:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Section II 1.3) above states this is a Services Contract. This is a Supplies Contract not a Services Contract as the majority of contract value will be Supplies with an element of Works.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (Northern Ireland).