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## **STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND CO-LOCATION EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES**

Coventry University

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKG33 - Coventry

**Justification for not providing organisation identifier**

Not on any register

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.coventry.ac.uk](http://www.coventry.ac.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/coventryuniversity.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/coventryuniversity.aspx/Hom>

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND CO-LOCATION EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES

Reference number

FRAM-1499-25-TH

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 30210000 - Data-processing machines (hardware)

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Coventry University Group is seeking to align with an exclusive infrastructure and technical services partner with a proven track record of delivering innovative and sustainable solutions that drive growth and create lasting value for our business. The selected partner will provide comprehensive support to enhance our digital capabilities and help achieve business goals over the next five years.

The partner will act as an extension of our digital infrastructure teams, supporting and leading the successful realisation of cutting-edge digital projects. Specifically, the partnership will focus on:

- Co-design, implementation, and ongoing co-hosting of IT infrastructure, including:
- Co-Location Datacentre Services.
- Servers and storage solutions.
- Network infrastructure (LAN, WAN, etc.).
- Cloud integration and services.
- Disaster recovery and business continuity planning.
- Security solutions (firewalls, intrusion detection, etc.).

- Infrastructure monitoring and management tools.
- Proactive maintenance and support for all infrastructure components.
- Technical expertise and guidance on infrastructure optimisation and future planning.
- Professional services available for specific technical disciplines and domains.

Coventry University envisages the contract will commence on the 1st May 2025 and will be for an initial term of 5 years with options to extend for up to one (1) further period of five (5) years for a total potential contract term of 10 years. Only suppliers on SSSNA Framework, Lot 5, can bid on this Tender.

The indicative maximum total contract over 10 years value is £25 million excluding VAT for capital spend. The managed services element is estimated to be a maximum of £5 million excluding VAT. The contract will include options for additional projects related to transformation, optimisation and modernisation which are anticipated to be a maximum estimated value of £5 million excluding VAT subject to budget approval. Note that all the stated figures are shown for indicative spend only and there is no commitment to spend at any level of spend for Coventry University throughout the 5+5 period of the contract.

The transformation, optimisation and modernisation projects are not guaranteed and will be subject to funding approval. Although our selected strategic technology will be favoured in the first instance, additional projects are not exclusive to this Strategic Technology Partner contract and the University reserve the right to procure such future projects outside of this contract. The indicative contract values set out in this document are estimated figures and may be subject to increase or decrease.

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#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 30211100 - Super computer
- 30233000 - Media storage and reader devices
- 30234000 - Storage media

- 48782000 - Storage management software package
- 48820000 - Servers

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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Our business operations continue to expand, and we aim to explore strategic partnership opportunities to collaborate on digital technology strategy, roadmaps, and transformation initiatives.

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#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Duration in months

60

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

5+5 contract term.

**II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

**II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: No

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **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

12 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

#### **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: 4 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

12 March 2025

Local time

12:01pm



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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Coventry University

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom