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Tender

STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE AND CO-LOCATION EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES

Coventry University

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ddd6

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Contact

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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

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

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

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

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