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Planning

Aggregated Databases

APUC Limited

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-03a612

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

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Main address

<http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10402

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from 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

Aggregated Databases

Reference number

LIB1025 AP

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72320000 - Database services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority is seeking to establish framework agreement for on behalf of the members of the HE/FE sector in Scotland, and members of

the Scottish Confederation of University and Research Libraries (SCURL).

The Framework Agreement will be for the provision of Aggregated Databases, including multi publisher databases, which will provide end users with access to sources of full text and abstract and indices from a range of subject specific and multi-disciplinary electronic content, including but not limited to:

- Primary source materials
- Journals
- Newspapers
- Reports
- Working papers
- Datasets
- Dissertations
- Music, including scores and audio
- Legal material
- Medical resources

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £7,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72320000 - Database services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this procurement exercise is to appoint a range of contractors to provide members of Advanced Procurement for Universities & Colleges (APUC Ltd) and The Scottish Confederation of University and Research Libraries (SCURL), with access to a full range of subject specific and multi-disciplinary databases.

II.2.14) Additional information

The resulting framework agreement will be open to:

Members of Advanced Procurement for Universities & Colleges (APUC Ltd)

<http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk/#!/members>

Members of the Scottish Confederation of University and Research Libraries (SCURL)

<https://scurl.ac.uk/who-we-are/scurl-members/>

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 June 2023

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The Contracting Authority will hold Supplier Engagement meetings to enable potential bidders the opportunity to explain and demonstrate their proposed service offering.

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=721705.

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