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Tender

Publishing Services

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTMINSTER

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04451e

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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www.westminster.ac.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Publishing Services

Reference number

DN711130

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79970000 - Publishing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The University of Westminster seeks to appoint a suitably skilled and experienced service provider to deliver Publishing services. The University of Westminster Press operates within the Research Environment and Scholarly Communications area of the Research and Knowledge Exchange Office and publishes books and journals made available via open access.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Journals

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79970000 - Publishing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

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

Duration in months

48

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: Yes

Description of options

It is anticipated that the new contract will be for an initial period of 4 years with an option to extend for a further period of up to a total of 12 months, taking the contract term to a maximum of 5 years. The Contract is intended to start in October 2024. Any extension to the Contract will be agreed between the University of Westminster and the Service Provider. The University will likely seek the Service Provider to demonstrate

improvements and/or price reductions before considering an extension. For any extension to the Contract, discussions with the Service Provider shall be conducted sufficiently far in advance of the contract expiry date to arrive at an agreed position.

II.2.14) Additional information

Bidders will need to register for free on the Proactis Pro-Contract procurement portal (<https://procontract.due-north.com>), by completing a simple registration. Once registered, bidders can use the search function under "find opportunities" to find the tender. If Bidders do not meet one or more of the minimum requirements for each Selection Criteria

Bidders will be excluded from the process. If bidders pass all Selection Criteria, their Bid will be fully scored and evaluated.

Bidders must submit their tender via the portal by 10 April 2024

The University expressly reserves the rights:

- i) Not to award any contract as a result of this procurement process commenced by publication of this notice.
- ii) To make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the tendering competition.
- iii) To award (a) contract(s) in respect of any part(s) of the [services] covered by this notice; and in no circumstances will the University be liable for any costs incurred by candidates.

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Books

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79970000 - Publishing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Publishing Hub

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79970000 - Publishing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

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Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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

10 April 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

11 April 2024

Local time

5:00pm

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.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

University of Westminster

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The University will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point that information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, then the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the rules to take action in the High Court. Any such action must be brought promptly.