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Developing a size and shape model for Heriot-Watt University

Heriot-Watt University

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

Heriot-Watt University

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Riccarton, Edinburgh

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Email

f.davidson@hw.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://hw.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00307

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

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Reference number

HWU-UK-2122-073

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Heriot-Watt University requires to develop a size and shape model to enable the building of a sound evidence base to inform future strategic decisions. Linked to existing planning processes, there is a requirement to explore and better understand the implications that flow from university wide strategic decisions.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £120,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

A tailored size and shape model can help to make informed strategic choices and better understand current position and provide insight to the implications of future decisions. A model based on historical data on key attributes of a university using a set of assumptions and calculations to project alternative future states. The model will also make available strategic levers to generate different size and shape options.

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

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

Heriot-Watt University has previously engaged with Cubane Consulting Group to conduct a benchmarking exercise which involved the gathering of detailed data on the allocation of employee and supplier capacity for over 150 key activities using Cubane tools across fourteen functional areas as part of the Uniforum program. The data gathered by Cubane Consulting is data is a key enabler in supporting the strategic initiative for developing a size and shape model for Heriot-Watt University. Nous Group recently acquired Cubane Consulting and therefore has access to the data and relevant data gathering tools to support this process. This current level of data and relevant tools are not held by any other economic operator therefore competition is absent.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

HWU-UK-2122-073

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

24 March 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Nous Group

21 Worship Street

London

EC2A 2DX

Telephone

+44 2036872500

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot/concession (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £120,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=688888.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Chamber Street

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom