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Tender

UKRI-1992 An Education Platform for Quantum Computing

UK Research & Innovation

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.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

Other activity

Research

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UKRI-1992 An Education Platform for Quantum Computing

Reference number

UKRI-1992

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72212190 - Educational software development services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The UK's National Quantum Computing Centre (NQCC) seeks to purchase an enterprise licence for a cloud-accessible, educational training platform aimed at familiarising students in higher education, as well as professionals in industry and business, with key concepts in quantum computing, without the requirement for formal training in a related field (such as PhD-level physics, mathematics, and computer science).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

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 educational training platform should provide individual users with access to a learning environment that includes a series of training modules, whereby users can learn progressively at their own pace, test their knowledge retention, and monitor their progress through to completion of the course. The platform should provide users with a sufficient grounding in the key concepts of quantum computing to provide a pathway into quantum

programming, as well as an understanding of quantum circuit design. The learning experience should be supplemented through access to an online community network, driven by users offering mutually supportive learning.

The aim of the NQCC in deploying such a tool is to drive greater awareness, understanding and engagement in quantum computing among the UK workforce from an early stage. This initiative aligns to the NQCC's wider strategic priorities to enable a 'quantum ready' UK economy through delivering skills development and training opportunities.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £100,000

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

Duration in months

36

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: 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

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

13 May 2022

Local time

2:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

13 May 2022

Local time

3:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://ukri.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Swindon:-Educational-software-development-services./T4JM3W3NMG>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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