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## **UKRI-1992 An Education Platform for Quantum Computing**

UK Research & Innovation

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-032b99

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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**NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

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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

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**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

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## **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

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## **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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