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Contract

UWS: Provision of a Supported Social Learning Platform

University of the West of Scotland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-009825

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02add2

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

University of the West of Scotland

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Email

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Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.uws.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00473

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

UWS: Provision of a Supported Social Learning Platform

Reference number

UWS/2020/050

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

We are seeking a strategic partner with whom to develop our student learning ecosystem towards the year 2030. We are not looking to procure a fixed system which will perform in the current environment; we are seeking to secure a relationship that will assist us in benefitting from the most appropriate inputs into learning design as technology develops, and students needs and expectations evolve. In particular we want

1. to be in a position to exploit opportunities in AI, AR and VR as they develop,
2. in parallel with developing innovative approaches to teaching and assessment, and
3. supporting our staff as they transition to managing a less homogeneous student population who want to engage in synchronous and asynchronous learning experiences, across a wide range of diverse academic disciplines.

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: £2,610,300

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80420000 - E-learning services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Main site or place of performance

Paisley

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality questions as per ITT / Weighting: 70

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 30

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2020/S 249-622751](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

UWS/2020/050

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 May 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Aula Education

11 Lordsmead Road

LONDON

N17 6EX

Telephone

+44 7916315381

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,610,300

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:653137)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Paisley Sheriff Court

Paisley

Country

United Kingdom