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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

procurement@uws.ac.uk

Telephone

+44 1418483943

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=AA0047 3

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: <u>2020/S 249-622751</u>

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