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Tender

590 - Graduate Support Services

Aston University

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02b1f8

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

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I.3) Communication

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

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=902eecab-7db2-eb11-810c-005056b64545>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://procontract.due-north.com/Advert/Index?advertId=902eecab-7db2-eb11-810c-005056b64545>

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

590 - Graduate Support Services

Reference number

DN543221

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The class of 2021 graduates are facing the most difficult labour market any graduating cohort has faced. Within this context, Aston University is seeking to provide additional support for 2021 graduates and, as part of this overall increased support, we wish to partner with an external consultancy to work with our overall cohort of graduates, as well as providing targeted additional support for those who are either underemployed or unemployed with a view to progressing them into positive destinations.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG31 - Birmingham

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Through this partnership, we are looking to provide a positive, personalised experience and therefore increased affiliation with the graduates you work with. We are seeking a partner who can deliver a comprehensive support package for graduates that are under or

unemployed. The aim is to;

- deliver tangible improvements in graduate outcomes
- upskill graduates through a range of supported activities
- ensure graduates feel that they have been fully supported by the University.

The contract will be established for an initial period of 15 months with an option to extend for a further period/periods of 1 year at a time. The contract is intended to start on 19th July 2021 or as otherwise agreed.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Start date

19 July 2021

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract may be extended for a further period/periods of 1 year at a time.

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

16 June 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

15 June 2021

Local time

4:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

Please contact the University via the ProContract e-tendering portal in the first instance.

This authority will incorporate a minimum of 10 calendar days standstill period.
Information on the award of the contract will be communicated to tenderers.