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The Supply of Lasers and Associated Equipment

APUC LIMITED

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/>

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

The Supply of Lasers and Associated Equipment

Reference number

LAB1032 AP

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 38636100 - Lasers

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

The Authority are seeking Contractor(s) for the provision of Laser Systems plus Associated Equipment, Accessories, Maintenance and Servicing for the further and higher education sector and other public bodies in Scotland and the UK.

The Authority are seeking to, through this tendering process, minimise the resource required to complete purchases for laser systems plus associated equipment, accessories, maintenance and servicing.

A maximum of up to 15 Contractors will be appointed to each lot on this framework agreement.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £12,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lasers and Coherent Sources

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, installation and commissioning of Lasers and Coherent Sources including, but not limited to the following Laser solutions for scientific and industrial research purposes along with custom products:

- Femtosecond Lasers
- Picosecond Lasers
- Nanosecond Pulsed Lasers
- Pulsed Lasers
- Continuous Wave Diode Pumped Solid State (DPSS) Lasers
- Fibre Lasers
- Tunable Lasers
- Fibre Coupled Laser Sources

- Compact Laser Modules
- Helium Neon Lasers
- Optical Amplifiers
- Aron Ion Lasers
- Nitrogen Lasers
- Nitrogen DPSS & SLM Lasers

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Optical Spectrometers and Cameras

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 33128000 - Medical laser other than for surgery
- 38433000 - Spectrometers
- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, installation and commissioning of Optical Spectrometers and Cameras and associated equipment and components.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) Laser and LED Systems

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, installation and commissioning of Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) systems utilising both Laser or LED light sources and associated components.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Laser Micromachining Systems

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, commissioning and installation of the tools and systems for use in the process of Laser Micromachining plus associated components.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Laser Safety Products and Protective Equipment

Lot No

5

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 18142000 - Safety visors
- 33735100 - Protective goggles
- 35113400 - Protective and safety clothing
- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, delivery and where necessary, commissioning of Laser Safety Products and Protective Equipment

including, but not limited to the following:

- Laser Safety Eyewear
- Laser Warning Sign and Labels
- Laser Safety Curtains
- Beam Blocks
- ESD Protection

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Optomechanical Equipment and Accessories

Lot No

6

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, comissioning and installation of Optomechanical Equipment and Accessories including, but not limited to:

Optical Tables and Workstations, Breadboards and Supports, Optomechanical Components and Assemblies plus Optical Metrology Equipment (wave meters)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Flow Cytometry Lasers and Associated Equipment

Lot No

7

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38434510 - Cytometers
- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply, commissioning and installation of Flow Cytometry Lasers and Associated Equipment and Accessories.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Laser Spare Parts and Associated Accessories

Lot No

8

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers
- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The supply and delivery of laser spare parts and components and associated accessories including, but not limited to associated assemblies, rods and crystals, conversion screens and UV/IR Viewers

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Maintenance, Service and Upgrade of Lasers and Associated Systems

Lot No

9

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 38636100 - Lasers

- 38636110 - Industrial lasers

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Maintenance, Service and Upgrade of Lasers and Associated Systems including, but not limited to the comprehensive or preventative maintenance of equipment included in this framework agreement which is out with its agreed warranty period including existing equipment located in institutions.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Authority reserves the right to extend the Framework Agreement for a period of up to 12 months subject to satisfactory performance and continued Institutions' requirements.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.14) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations in 2015

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Please refer to Question 4B.5 of the SPD and Economic and Financial Standing section of the Contract Notice. Tenderers must confirm that

they can provide the following supporting evidence prior to award:

Employer's (Compulsory) Liability Insurance = 5 Million GBP

Public Liability Insurance = 5 Million GBP

Product Liability Insurance = 5 Million GBP

To demonstrate and evidence suitable economic standing, successful Contractors will be required to provide 2 years audited accounts, or

equivalent if awarded to the Framework Agreement.

Alternatively, if the Contractor is unable to provide the required accounting information, e.g. due to being a new business, then they will be

required to provide a banker's letter demonstrating their willingness to support the Contractor's organisation over the term of the

framework agreement.

Please refer to 4B.6 of the SPD

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required

Tenderers must confirm they have (or have access to) the relevant supply chain management and tracking systems to ensure a resilient and sustainable supply chain. This includes confirmation that they have the systems in place to pay subcontractors through the supply chain promptly (i.e. no later than 30 days after the invoice (or similar claim) relating to the payment is presented) and effectively, and provide

evidence when requested of:

a) their standard payment terms

b) $\geq 95\%$ of all supply chain invoices being paid on time (in accordance with the terms of contract) in the last financial year

If the bidder is unable to confirm (b) they must provide an improvement plan, signed by their Director, which improves the payment performance.

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 35

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

26 May 2023

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: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

26 May 2023

Local time

1:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 48 Months

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Suppliers should confirm they will be in a position to complete (at point of award) the following:

Appendix A Form of Tender

Appendix B Freedom of Information

Appendix D APUC Sustain Supply Chain Code of Conduct

Appendix G Declaration of Non-involvement in Serious Organised Crime

Appendix H Declaration of Non-involvement in Human Trafficking

Appendix I SCM RP Section 1 - Company Profile

Living Wage Status

Please provide details on your position on the Real Living Wage. This information should be submitted in the Technical envelope. It is for information only and will not be scored.

Prompt Payment

Tenderers must confirm that payment of subcontractors at all stages of the supply chain will be made within a maximum of 30 days and that this will be managed.

This information should be submitted in the Technical envelope. It is for information only and will not be scored but is a requirement of this tender and will be included in the contractual terms.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 49192. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

The Contracting Authority does not intend to include a sub-contract clause as part of community benefits (as per Section 25 of the Procurement Reform (Scotland) Act 2014) in this contract for the following reason:

Sub-Contracting is not a significant part of the overall anticipated contract spend.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in->

[procurement/](#)

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

The Contractor will work with the Authority to deliver Community Benefits or social value where they are identifiable throughout the term of the Framework Agreement. Examples of Community Benefits or social value are providing training opportunities to staff and students,

graduate placements and supply chain development in the local community.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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