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Planning

Provision of Library Services Platform (LSP) Solution for De Montfort University

De Montfort University

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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UKF - East Midlands (England)

Internet address(es)

Main address

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I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Provision of Library Services Platform (LSP) Solution for De Montfort University

Reference number

1187(ME)/21

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 48161000 - Library management system

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

DMU Library Services desires a brand-new (which may include open source), modern replacement Library Services Platform (LSP) Solution to support the future development of the service. It is envisaged any LSP shall be cloud based; and will need to adopt a microservices architecture to allow for choice of applications and strong community participation for developmental purposes. Foremost we are interested in a Solution that will have many years of growth with a modern infrastructure that will support library developments. The library requires a hosting and support infrastructure and the software developed in collaboration with the library community and / or service providers who work in parallel and focus on their specialist expertise. The library is generally seeking greater levels of control over the systems and services that it will use both now, and in the future, and as such the Solution should therefore be interoperable and include APIs to support external services, systems and functions.Foremost in our considerations are: the need to provide our staff and students with the flexibility to have a personal learning experience with resources; to integrate this experience with existing learning platforms; and how data and analytics can provide insight and how emerging technology such as AI can support our work.DMU is now seeking to enter into a period of market engagement with suppliers who could provide a future LSP Solution to the University. The ME process is anticipated to include the undertaking of presentations / demonstrations on a one to one basis during August 2021, by those suppliers interested in offering this service provision in the future to DMU (precise dates to be confirmed). Presentations to take place remotely or at DMU campus, Leicester. DMU is currently reviewing all its' future options by way of arriving at a final agreed business case and ultimate decision on an agreed longterm established way forward for this area of future service provision to the University. All potential options remain under consideration and this ME exercise is intended to inform on and contribute to that ongoing exercise. This forms part of a wider current review of DMU's Teaching and Learning Applications.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 48161000 - Library management system

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKF - East Midlands (England)

Main site or place of performance

De Montfort University, Leicester.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

30 June 2021

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes