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Award

Immersive Studio Installation

Coventry University

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKG33 - Coventry

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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

Immersive Studio Installation

Reference number

PD-761

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 92100000 - Motion picture and video services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Coventry University seeks a sole supplier to deliver a project to 'fit-out' the Immersive studio spaces within the new Delia Derbyshire Building, as part of the FAH redevelopment

project. This is a highly specialised supply and installation project requiring a high-degree of bespoke design, a particular specification, and project-service integration.

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: £300,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 34150000 - Simulators
- 92100000 - Motion picture and video services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG33 - Coventry

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Due to the technical complexity and the critical nature of the project, as well as the frequent cycles of technology re-fresh in this field, Faculty colleagues undertook a pre-market engagement some months ago seeking professional advice and guidance to establish a broad project requirement/specification for the complete delivery of a highly innovative Immersive studio capability in our new building.

This high-level engagement made clear that one supplier: Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality, had by far the most comprehensive understanding of the parameters of the project requirement and provided the most credible proposal and the areas which needed to be developed further.

The FAH Redevelopment Project team has had to continue to undertake the very significant pre-engagement activity with Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality, including user-case workshops and focus-groups, in order to develop the planned delivery

of the technical solution, which is itself highly complex and defined within a number of constraints. This pre-engagement has required direct dialogue between Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality, the Faculty as end-users, and McLaughlin & Harvey the main project contractor, in order to resolve questions about the interaction between the building's physical infrastructure and the two immersive studio installations - e.g. the requirements for room-in-room sound-insulation and e.g. the relationship between the specialist servers for the studios, the buildings data network and the Digital Asset Management system. The sound proofing for immersive installation had to be designed in direct consultation between the main contractor, the project architects, and the identified supplier.

The resulting proposed design solution has been worked-up with Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality and is a fully bespoke installation, which sits within the infrastructure of the building-space and its physical/ M&E and Data network parameters. The installations of the highly specialist, binaural sound and 360 AR/VR capture technologies need to interface precisely with the power and data infrastructure as it has been delivered by the main construction contractor. A major aspect of these bespoke designs is that whilst they use some generic components - they are custom solutions made to fit within the spaces and the M&E and Digital Data infrastructure, which has itself been specifically designed in collaboration with the main contractor.

The collaboration that we have established with Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality has brought a high degree of added-value to the project, both in terms of the efficacy of the design proposal, which has been achieved because of their market-leading capability in design and supply of such systems; but also, the establishment of lines of communication and collaboration between them as the supplier, our estates project management team and the main redevelopment project contractors.

As a result of the above Gren Spencer / Wireframe Extended Reality are able to meet the needs of this now highly specific project brief and provide the best available end-to-end solution and added-value to this critical project.

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

23 June 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

Wireframe Extended Reality

lutterworth

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKF22 - Leicestershire CC and Rutland

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £250,000 / Highest offer: £350,000 taken into consideration

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Coventry University

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom