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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

UXPLORE – Digital Connectivity Demonstrator

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Main address

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Buyer's address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/coventryuniversity.aspx/Tenders/Current>

I.3) Communication

Access to the procurement documents is restricted. Further information can be obtained at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/coventryuniversity.aspx/Tenders/Current>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

University

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

UXPLORE – Digital Connectivity Demonstrator

Reference number

ERDF - PD-586-21 (DCD - 5G) - AP

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Coventry University is leading a game-changing digital connectivity initiative which will benefit small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Coventry and Warwickshire, by providing a range of physical and virtual services through a network of activities across the region. The uxplora project aims to:

- Support SMEs across the CWLEP area to harness the benefits of digital connectivity with a focus on future development including new 5G infrastructure. It will facilitate innovation and drive productivity through the development and commercialisation of new products, services, and business models.
- Encompass a broad range of connectivity infrastructure, helping companies to maximise business opportunities by enhancing digital know-how for businesses - spanning superfast broadband, 4G, fibre, and the cutting-edge innovation of 5G.
- Enable businesses to develop and showcase new products and services across multiple sectors e.g. transport, mobility, healthcare, manufacturing,

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG33 - Coventry

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The support provided by the project (combined with partner inputs from the Coventry and Warwickshire Growth Hub, Chamber of Commerce, LEP, local authorities, and commercial organisations) will enable businesses to embark on a digital enhancement journey, and then to progress along the technology continuum to seize the digital commercial opportunities such that are rapidly emerging and continue to evolve. The focus of the activity will be to engage with SMEs through a cohort-based, collaborative learning approach - to increase the demand for (and development of) new digitally enabled products and services. Through a combination of diagnostic assessment (technical, commercial) and a tailored programme of development, exploration and enhancement activity, the uxplora project will help participating SMEs realise the potential for digital technologies to drive their business forward. Activities will include:

- Strand 1: Generating Innovation – creation, assessment and evaluation of ideas, adoption and application of digital technologies in SMEs, Dedicated accelerator/co-working space, Support for stages of business start-up, scale-up, and growth, Support for product/ service/ process development, Access to 5G/digital infrastructure, RanD expertise and specialist equipment, Access to finance, funding, and investment (including Proof of Concept funding).
- Strand 2: Commercialising Innovation – adoption and demonstration programmes tailored to business needs, stimulating creation of new products, services, business models in Coventry and Warwickshire priority sectors: Intelligent Mobility, Digital and Creative, Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering, Health and Wellbeing – also aligning with WM5G Testbed priority sectors, Access to expert mentors and entrepreneurs for business diagnostics, analysis, and strategic planning.
- Strand 3: Sustaining Innovation and Knowledge Sharing - outreach and engagement, stakeholder relationship building, knowledge management and gateways to acceleration, coaching and mentoring networks, linking with the existing business support ecosystem.

The project will deliver these activities through a series of programmes, with the goal of evidencing outputs for 230 SMEs by June 2023.

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

Duration in months

19

This contract is subject to renewal

No

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: Yes

Identification of the project

06R19P03584

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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: Yes

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

6 September 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

6 September 2021

Local time

12:01pm

Place

Coventry University - Virtual opening ceremony

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Coventry University Higher Education Corporation Group

Coventry

Country

United Kingdom