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Award

Finance System Implementation Manager

Queen Margaret University

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ea33

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.qmu.ac.uk/>

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00364

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

Finance System Implementation Manager

Reference number

QMU-29354

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72222000 - Information systems or technology strategic review and planning services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Procurement of a Project Manager to oversee the deployment and implementation and embedding of the new finance system.

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: £150,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72222000 - Information systems or technology strategic review and planning services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM73 - East Lothian and Midlothian

Main site or place of performance

Queen Margaret University.

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

QMU have procured a new ERP Finance Software solution.

For the project's next phases, QMU requires a Project Manager to implement the deployment and embedding of the new system and associated processes.

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

Negotiated without a prior call for competition

- The works, supplies or services can be provided only by a particular economic operator for the following reason:
 - absence of competition for technical reasons

Explanation:

In compiling the statement of requirements for the next phase, it has become apparent that the consulting Project Manager will need in-depth knowledge of QMU's existing culture and processes and procedures across the whole finance and department as well as in-depth knowledge of Unit 4's ERP Finance Software. Although multiple organisations may have experience with Unit 4's systems, the technical knowledge regarding QMU's internal finance operations currently only exists with the proposed Consultant through their work in the first phase.

It is determined that the Consultant's unique technical knowledge of QMU's finance policies, processes, procedures, and culture would lead to a lack of competition should a public procurement be conducted and therefore qualifies QMU to implement the negotiated procedure without prior publication process in accordance with Regulation 33(1)(b)(ii) of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

QMU-29354

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

25 July 2023

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

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- UKJ26 - East Surrey

The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot/concession: £150,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sherriff Court

27 Chambers St

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EH1 1LB

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United Kingdom