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Contract

Checkpoint Firewalls and Support Services

University of Ulster

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-02e048

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ulster.ac.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

Checkpoint Firewalls and Support Services

Reference number

GC_01_LS_2021

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72267000 - Software maintenance and repair services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Contract is for the provision of Licensing of Check Point Quantum Firewalls and Support

Services to the University.

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: £395,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72267000 Software maintenance and repair services
- 72267100 Maintenance of information technology software
- 72267200 Repair of information technology software

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKN - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

All Campuses

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The University is seeking a partner (the Supplier) to provide support to the network team maintaining the campus firewalls. Support will include license renewals, highly responsive technical expertise to resolve technical problems, ensure seamless major version upgrades, provide bi-annual review and recommendations on best use of the firewall investment and support enabling any existing licensed capabilities which are not utilised to their full potential. Further, the Supplier should have experience of configuring Check Point Quantum for optimal configuration and integration with Security information and event management (SIEM) and Security Operations Centre (SOC) products.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: CheckPoint Experience / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Help Desk Provision / Weighting: 25

Quality criterion - Name: Support Services / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Call-off Contract will be for 2 years initially, with an option to extend for any periods up to an including 24 months.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

The estimated total value stated above in Section II.1.7 includes the initial 2 year contract period and the option to extend the contract for any periods up to and including 24 months.

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

Explanation:

This call-off contract was awarded via a shortlisting exercise under the G-Cloud 12 Framework Agreement Framework reference: RM1557.12.

2 suppliers were shortlisted.

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

Contract No

GC_LS_01_2021

Title

CheckPoint Firewalls and Support Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

30 July 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Integrity Communications Limited

Block D, 3rd Floor, The Concourse, Beacon Court, Sandyford

Dublin

Dublin 1

Country

Ireland

NUTS code

• IE061 - Dublin

National registration number

400211

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £395,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

This call-off contract was awarded via a shortlisting exercise under the G-Cloud 12 Framework Agreement Framework reference: RM1557.12.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT13JY

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (Northern Ireland).