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Contract

## **Development of online academic courses**

Heriot-Watt University

F03: Contract award notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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#### **NUTS code**

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://hw.ac.uk>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00307](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00307)

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

**II.1) Scope of the procurement**

**II.1.1) Title**

Development of online academic courses

Reference number

HWU-UK-2122-065

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80300000 - Higher education services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

Heriot-Watt University seek to establish a multi-lot framework agreement for the development of online academic content. Suppliers will require to develop online resources focussed on learning content designed to integrate with course specific teaching.

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

**II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Lowest offer: £57,555 / Highest offer: £125,617 taken into consideration

**II.2) Description****II.2.1) Title**

Development of on demand online academic courses

Lot No

2

**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 80300000 - Higher education services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Online course development services across a fixed period. The development work may include subject matter expertise for the creation of online course content. Learning design for the creation of effective online learning opportunities appropriate to the target students.

Learning design work will be in collaboration with subject matter experts appointed by either Heriot-Watt University staff or by the supplier. Media development, both graphic designs for online page enhancement, and video or audio recordings to enhance the quality of teaching content.

Workload will be provided in an 'on demand' basis, when workload is outside the capacity of the internal team of designers at Heriot-Watt Online therefore the exact number of developments cannot be defined at this time.

Workload will often, though not exclusively, involve the development of full courses of fifteen academic credits. Heriot-Watt University will provide academic and learning design quality assurance on each course development.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 20

#### **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

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Development of online academic courses which constitute a full Graduate Apprenticeship Degree in Data Science.

Lot No

1

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 80300000 - Higher education services

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Development of twenty-six courses over a four-year period, that constitute a full Graduate Apprenticeship Degree in Data Science. All courses shall be fifteen credits and will be delivered as hybrid. Online resources developed as part of this requirement will be focussed on learning content.

Asynchronous online content must be designed to integrate with course-specific live teaching which may be face-to-face or virtual. Subject matter expertise will be provided by Heriot Watt University Academics.

The supplier will provide learning design, media design (video and graphic) and will manage the course development process, including reporting out to Heriot-Watt University stakeholders and facilitating collaborative quality assurance activities.

Courses do not pre-exist in any format, other than validated programme and course specifications which include learning outcomes and assessment methods. On time delivery of course development shall be critical to ensure courses are ready at point of delivery to students.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 80

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 20

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Restricted procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### **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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 000-006584](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

1

### **Title**

Development of online academic courses which constitute a full Graduate Apprenticeship Degree in Data Science.

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

31 January 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### **V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Curio London

71-75 Shelton Street

London

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Telephone

+44 02081060855

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

Online Education Services

Charter Buildings, 9 Ashton Lane, Sale

Manchester

M33 6WT

Telephone

+44 07384525224

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Lowest offer: £57,555 / Highest offer: £125,617 taken into consideration



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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Lot No**

2

### **Title**

Development of on demand online academic courses

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

30 January 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 5

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 5

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 5

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 5

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

(SC Ref:744572)

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Chambers Street

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom