This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <a href="https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/029025-2023">https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/029025-2023</a>

#### Contract

# 701 - Landline & Mobile Telephony 4

**Aston University** 

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-029025

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03ced0

Published 2 October 2023, 4:42pm

# **Section I: Contracting authority**

# I.1) Name and addresses

Aston University

Aston Triangle

Birmingham

**B4 7ET** 

#### Contact

Mr Jacob Rankine

#### **Email**

j.rankine@aston.ac.uk

#### **Telephone**

+44 1212043000

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### Region code

UKG31 - Birmingham

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.aston.ac.uk

Buyer's address

http://www.aston.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

701 - Landline & Mobile Telephony 4

Reference number

DN644744

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 64200000 - Telecommunications services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Aston University is going out to tender for the provision of mobile and telephony services as a combined offering, providing a scalable solution, providing flexibility and predictable costs. Mobile handsets are to be provided as part of the service offering. Landline requirements will include retention of existing ISDN lines and SIP lines.

Aston University is looking for a single contract covering all elements of telephone communications (excluding the university telephone system). By embarking on this procurement process the University wishes to identify suitable suppliers of both landline telephony and mobile communications, which is the best fit solution in terms of functional requirements and business system integration. Ideally the University would want to identify a Landline and Mobile Telephony service that not only meets all, or the key aspects of required functionality and service, but also is part of an integrated business system solution capable of meeting the broader financial, procurement and functionality.

The University is therefore seeking to contract with an organisation that must be able to provide a package solution (based on a shared bundle of minutes, texts and data), to meet the functional requirements of the University. The University wishes to enter into a single contract for the supply of goods and services. If suppliers are to propose to engage a third party to supply any of the elements, this arrangement must be covered by a formal subcontract agreement between the Tenderer and the third party (ies).

#### 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: £870,000

# II.2) Description

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKG31 - Birmingham

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

Aston University is going out to tender for the provision of mobile and telephony services as a combined offering, providing a scalable solution, providing flexibility and predictable costs. Mobile handsets are to be provided as part of the service offering. Landline requirements will include retention of existing ISDN lines and SIP lines.

Aston University is looking for a single contract covering all elements of telephone communications (excluding the university telephone system). By embarking on this procurement process the University wishes to identify suitable suppliers of both landline telephony and mobile communications, which is the best fit solution in terms of functional requirements and business system integration. Ideally the University would want to identify a Landline and Mobile Telephony service that not only meets all, or the key aspects of required functionality and service, but also is part of an integrated business system solution capable of meeting the broader financial, procurement and functionality.

The University is therefore seeking to contract with an organisation that must be able to provide a package solution (based on a shared bundle of minutes, texts and data), to meet the functional requirements of the University. The University wishes to enter into a single contract for the supply of goods and services. If suppliers are to propose to engage a third party to supply any of the elements, this arrangement must be covered by a formal subcontract agreement between the Tenderer and the third party (ies).

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 45

Quality criterion - Name: Presentations / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 35

#### 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

Open procedure

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

# IV.2) Administrative information

## IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2023/S 000-014697</u>

## Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### V.2) Award of contract

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

12 September 2023

## V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 4

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

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

Abzorb Systems Ltd

Brighouse

Country

**United Kingdom** 

**NUTS** code

• UKE4 - West Yorkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £870,000

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Aston University

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom