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## **Provision of Replacement Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Solution**

De Montfort University

F02: Contract notice

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

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

De Montfort University

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Leicester

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#### **Contact**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.dmu.ac.uk](http://www.dmu.ac.uk)

**I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/demontfort.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/demontfort.aspx/Home>

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

**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**

Provision of Replacement Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Solution

Reference number

1669/21

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

De Montfort University requires the Provision of a Replacement Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Solution to the whole University and is seen as a critical system for the future ongoing learning and development of both staff and students. The University currently has a contract in place for the provision of an on premise solution until 31st December 2023 latest, for which there is no further ability to extend in its' current form. Supply and implementation of a new VLE Solution is therefore required and which will have to take place by no later than 31st May 2023, to ensure the University is fully prepared for academic delivery in September 2023. The ITT and any future Contract includes for supply, implementation, ongoing support and future innovation. Full details of Scope, Strategic Objectives and Overview, Specification, Terms applicable and all other provisions related to this procurement and any future awarded Contract, are contained within the University's Invitation to Tender.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,100,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

De Montfort University, Leicester, LE1 9BH.

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

De Montfort University requires the Provision of a Replacement Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) Solution to the whole University for both students and staff and is seen as a critical system for the future ongoing learning and development of both staff and students, alongside other University strategies such as Education 2030. The University currently has a contract in place for the provision of an on premise solution until 31st December 2023 latest, for which there is no further ability to extend in its' current form. Supply and implementation of a new VLE Solution is therefore required and which will have to take place by no later than 31st May 2023, to ensure the University is fully prepared for academic delivery for the start of the 2023/24 academic year in September 2023. The Invitation to Tender documentation and any future Contract will include for supply of a new Solution and all associated implementation including training, ongoing support and maintenance, and allow for future development and innovation. It is highlighted to Tenderers that Technical Requirements, Pedagogic and Business Requirements and Pricing all feature particularly high within our Award Criteria, but our full criteria also include a number of other key aspects and deliverables for the University . An award of Contract will be made to the Most Economically Advantageous Tender and the evaluation process will include presentations, demonstrations and product trials. Full details surrounding the Scope, associated Strategic Objectives and Overview, Specification, Terms applicable and all other provisions related to this procurement and any future awarded Contract arising from this procurement, including all Tenderer instructions, are contained within the University's Invitation to Tender.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £2,100,000

#### **II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system**

Start date

27 May 2022

End date

26 May 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Initial Term subject to being renewed on an options basis for a number of further potential terms as outlined further at II.2.11 below.

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

#### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The University at its' sole discretion and subject to satisfactory performance of the appointed Supplier reserves the right to also extend this Contract for the following further option years beyond the Initial Term of 5 years, of plus 3 years, 3 years, 2 years and 2 years, making for a total potential Contract duration of 15 years.

#### **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 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

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

Refer to the Invitation to Tender documentation, Tender Reference 1669/21.

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## **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

24 January 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

24 January 2022

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

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

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#### **VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained**

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