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Tender

HE Framework for Supply, Installation and management of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure (2024)

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APUC (Advanced Procurement for Universities & Colleges)
North Western Universities Purchasing Consortium Ltd
Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium
London Universities Purchasing Consortium
HEPCW (Higher Education Purchasing Consortium, Wales)
Crescent Purchasing Consortium (CPC)

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

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https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_mainpage.aspx

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I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract involves joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Leeds:-Uninterruptible-power-supplies./767XG47U5P>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

HE Framework for Supply, Installation and management of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure (2024)

Reference number

ITS2009 NE

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 31154000 - Uninterruptible power supplies

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

NEUPC is seeking to establish a framework agreement for the provision of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure products and related services. NEUPC intends to award up-to the seven top ranked bidders to the framework, see the ITT document for full details. The purpose of the Framework Agreement is to provide HE Institutions and Participating Consortia members with a framework for the Supply, Installation and management of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure plus related Design and Consultancy. Products in scope include a range of data centre management equipment and infrastructure including but not limited to Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPS), cooling equipment, generators, gas & fire suppression systems, power distribution units (PDU's), blanking panels, caging. Any or all elements of the supply, Installation, and management of data centre equipment and Infrastructure may be bought via the framework. See ITT.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £30,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 31156000 - Interruptible power supplies
- 31174000 - Power supply transformers
- 31682510 - Emergency power systems
- 31120000 - Generators
- 50532300 - Repair and maintenance services of generators
- 51111200 - Installation services of generators
- 31161200 - Gas cooling systems
- 42500000 - Cooling and ventilation equipment
- 45331230 - Installation work of cooling equipment
- 42512000 - Air-conditioning installations
- 45317300 - Electrical installation work of electrical distribution apparatus
- 50532400 - Repair and maintenance services of electrical distribution equipment
- 51112000 - Installation services of electricity distribution and control equipment
- 31625100 - Fire-detection systems
- 35111500 - Fire suppression system
- 44482000 - Fire-protection devices
- 45343210 - CO2 fire-extinguishing equipment installation work

- 51700000 - Installation services of fire protection equipment
- 72220000 - Systems and technical consultancy services
- 72514100 - Facilities management services involving computer operation
- 39151100 - Racking
- 44175000 - Panels
- 71311300 - Infrastructure works consultancy services
- 44211100 - Modular and portable buildings

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

UNITED KINGDOM

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of the Framework Agreement is to provide Institutions and participating Consortia members with a framework for the Supply, Installation and management of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure. Products in scope include a range of data centre management equipment and infrastructure items including but not limited to Uninterrupted Power Supplies (UPS), cooling equipment, generators, gas & fire suppression systems and power distribution units (PDU's). Any or all elements of the supply, Installation, management and disposal of data centre equipment and Infrastructure may be bought via the framework. The scope includes provision of the following goods and services:

Services in scope -

Any or all elements of the supply, Installation, management and maintenance of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure, including removal, relocation, recycling, refurbishment or disposal of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure. Managed Services. Advice on related Sustainability & Energy efficiency and measurement.

Carbon monitoring, energy usage monitoring and assistance with reporting on carbon reduction and scope 3. Provision of Modular and mobile data centre infrastructure,

edge/micro data centre Infrastructure and infrastructure as part of modular or prefab units, containerised / pre-fab units. Data Centre related Design and or Consultancy services. Preventative maintenance, testing, regular and emergency maintenance of new or existing equipment and Infrastructure is also included. Management of power distribution units (PDUs), Computer room air conditioners (CRACs), and Data Centre building management systems (BMS). Data centre equipment efficiency and energy usage control and monitoring, data centre infrastructure management (DCIM) including the potential for cloud based DCIM systems, ensuring Data Centre management infrastructure operates effectively and efficiently.

Data Centre Equipment in scope - Covering UPS, cooling equipment, generators, gas & fire suppression systems, PDUs plus consultancy, plus server & network racks, cabinets, blanking panels, lighting, back-up power, building management equipment.

The framework will be made available to all members of participating consortia: their respective memberships (found by following the relevant links) are:

<http://www.neupc.ac.uk/our-members>, <https://www.nwupc.ac.uk/our-members>, <https://www.supc.ac.uk/about-us/our-members/our-members>, <http://www.apuc-scot.ac.uk/#!/members>,

<http://www.hepcw.ac.uk/members/>, <http://www.lupc.ac.uk/member-list> and <https://www.thecpc.ac.uk/>. The framework will be for an initial period of two years, with the option for two further extension periods of twelve months each to a total period of four years. This agreement will be open to members and their partners regardless of whether or not they are to be defined as contracting authorities for the purpose of the PCR 2015. It is possible that some of the future call off contracts under this framework may be part funded from external streams, including European Union (EU) funding and (ERDF/ESF) and potentially other research bodies. All funding assessed under this framework will be considered compliant for the purposes of external funding by the named participants. North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium Ltd (NEUPC) is one of six UK Higher Education purchasing consortia established to deliver and manage a wide range of collaborative framework agreements designed to maximise third party expenditure within the higher education sector. Membership of the consortia may be subject to change due to strategic realignment or the inclusion of new members. This agreement will be open to members and their partners regardless of whether or not they are to be defined as contracting authorities for the purpose of the PCR 2015.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Management and Technical / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Marketing / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Supply and Delivery, Installation / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Sustainability and CSR / Weighting: 12.5

Quality criterion - Name: Project Management / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Warranty and Support / Weighting: 15

Quality criterion - Name: Scenario Question / Weighting: 12.5

Cost criterion - Name: Price basket Appendix / Weighting: 30

Cost criterion - Name: Framework Rate Card / Weighting: 50

Cost criterion - Name: Scenario Pricing Schedule / Weighting: 20

Cost criterion - Name: Note the overall quality price split is 70% Quality / 30% Price /
Weighting: 0

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £30,000,000

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend the Contract for up-to two periods of 12 months each. The Maximum

Contract length is 48 months.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

Call offs may involve the use of EU or Research grant funding including but not limited to ERDF or ESIF funding.

II.2.14) Additional information

The Procurement will be conducted via the Delta e-sourcing portal on the notice link. Under no circumstances shall NEUPC incur any liability in respect of this ITT or any supporting documentation.

NEUPC reserves the right to not proceed to Contract, or to cancel the Tender and will incur no Liability in doing so.

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.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

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: [2023/S 000-022583](#)

IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

28 November 2023

Local time

4:00pm

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: 9 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

28 November 2023

Local time

4:01pm

Place

Delta

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

Bids will be opened by suitably qualified persons shortly after the deadline has passed.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

VI.3) Additional information

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://neupc.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Leeds:-Uninterruptible-power-supplies./767XG47U5P>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://neupc.delta-esourcing.com/respond/767XG47U5P>

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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