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Scanning Solution for Studio Ulster

University of Ulster

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04b0b9

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

Region code

UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.ulster.ac.uk

I.3) Communication

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

<https://e-sourcingni.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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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

Scanning Solution for Studio Ulster

Reference number

project_28418

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 32000000 - Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment

II.1.3) Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4) Short description

Studio Ulster wish to acquire a highly specialised, bespoke and high-fidelity combined 3D and 4D volumetric scanning solution for their state-of-the-art virtual production studio complex located at Belfast Harbour Studios in Northern Ireland. This system will be one of the most advanced currently available on the market for use in AAA gaming production, animation at scale, VFX at the highest levels of international film production and research purposes.

Comprising two integrated systems one for high-fidelity 3D image acquisition using a large geodesic dome circa 2.3m high. Large enough to cover full body scanning. The second integrated system should include 4D volumetric capture. Lighting should be integrated and synchronised with camera operations for both. The dome should offer a significant number of mounting points for lighting, and cameras and offer integrated power distribution with camera trigger technology. The 4D system should also support high frame rates of 120 FPS or higher. The lighting set-up must allow for the directional polarised lighting states to aid in the recovery of photogrammetric information. The system must also allow for the separation of speculative and diffuse information.

The system controller and customisable API must be able to trigger multiple cameras simultaneously with the lighting to facilitate accurate captures. The system must also be able to capture 3D data during a 4D capture.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,400,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 32560000 - Fibre-optic materials
- 32570000 - Communications equipment
- 32580000 - Data equipment
- 38651100 - Camera lenses
- 38651200 - Camera bodies
- 38651300 - Cameras for preparing printing plates or cylinders
- 38651400 - Instant print cameras
- 38651500 - Cinematographic cameras
- 38651600 - Digital cameras
- 38653400 - Projection screens
- 38810000 - Industrial process control equipment
- 48318000 - Scanner software package
- 48332000 - Scheduling software package
- 48520000 - Multimedia software package
- 48770000 - General, compression and print utility software package
- 50340000 - Repair and maintenance services of audio-visual and optical equipment
- 51610000 - Installation services of computers and information-processing equipment

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

North Foreshore Film Studios, Giant's Park, Belfast

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: £1,400,000

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

End date

31 January 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

As stated in the procurement documents.

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

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

25 November 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

25 November 2024

Local time

3:00pm

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

High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland

Royal Courts of Justice, Chichester Street

Belfast

BT1 3JY

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

Ulster University will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) 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).