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London South Bank University

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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Buyer's address

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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

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Reference number

LSBU reference 24-006

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in OJEU.

This notice covers the migration of a financial services system from on premise infrastructure to a vendor managed cloud solution and the implementation of a compatible invoice capture tool.

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: £552,545.50

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKI - London

Main site or place of performance

103 Borough road

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II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The U4ERP (Unit4 Enterprise Resource Planning) application is the system used by the entire university for the management of its finances. The application is essential IT application as it provides accounting functionality which enables budget allocation and financial management across the whole university. It is also the system that manages the Procure to Pay process; Sales invoicing; Accounts Payable and Receivable, Fixed asset accounting; MTD submission application; VAT; management and financial reporting and interfaces with other key university systems e.g. student records system, accommodation system and payroll system.

Included in the contract is also e-invoicing functionality, support and maintenance and hosting in Unit4's cloud.

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

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below • U4ERP is the currently used system and is moving into the cloud, due to ending of on-premises support. Explanation: This award is lawful in accordance with the regulation 32(2)(b)(ii) because the competition is absent for technical reasons. The university has used the Unit4 application for over 20 years, and the system is an essential part of the university's infrastructure, such that any down time or system failure would have a detrimental effect on the running of the university. At the present time it would be impossible for the university to procure an alternative economic operator to provide the full range of services within a suitable timeframe and without detrimentally impacting the operations of the university. The application is currently hosted on premises; the support for on premises solutions is ending shortly which requires a SaaS contract.

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No

Section V. Award of contract/concession

Contract No

24-006

Title

LSBU Agresso migration from on prem to SaaS

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract/concession

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

10 December 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor/concessionaire

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The contractor/concessionaire is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot/concession: £552,545.50

Lowest offer: £552,545.50 / Highest offer: £552,545.50 taken into consideration

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract/lot/concession is likely to be subcontracted

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

19/12/24

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

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