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Contract

# **The University of Cumbria Enterprise Resource Planning Application System**

University of Cumbria

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04c2ab

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

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

University of Cumbria

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Carlisle

CA12HH

### **Contact**

Procurement Team

### **Email**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKD12 - East Cumbria

**Companies House**

06033238

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.cumbria.ac.uk/>

**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**

The University of Cumbria Enterprise Resource Planning Application System

Reference number

DA25-15

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

- 48000000 - Software package and information systems

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

Supplies

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

The University of Cumbria intend to enter a contract with Unit 4 in respect of the services described below. The contract is for a 3-year term.

#### **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: £357,000

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

#### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKD - North West (England)

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

Unit 4 Business Software - The application is essential IT infrastructure as it provides accounting and reporting functionality, enabling budget allocation and management across the university. It is also the system that manages our expenses, both staff and student, procurement, accounts receivable, accounts payable, general ledger and commitment accounting. Existing systems have been procured historically as they have integration with Unit4 ERP. Included in the contract is the purchase of the Finance Planning and Analytics module.

Unit 4 have taken the decision to migrate its on-premises ERP solution to the cloud. The critical nature of this infrastructure and the interdependencies with multiple existing systems mean that it is not viable to change provider of this system as, at the present time, it would not be possible for the University to procure an alternative economic operator to implement the solution, provide the full range of services and train all University users, within a suitable timeframe and without detrimentally impacting the operations of the University.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price

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

Options: No

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## 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:

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#### 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: [2024/S 000-039287](#)

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## Section V. Award of contract

### Title

The University of Cumbria Enterprise Resource Planning Application System

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### V.2) Award of contract

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

16 December 2024

### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 1

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

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

Unit 4 Business Software

Bristol

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Companies House

01737985

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £357,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £357,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

VEAT Notice completed

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

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

High Court

London

Country

United Kingdom