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Tender

Smart Agricultural Research Centre Development

Nottingham Trent University (NTU)

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

The tender submission deadline for the Notice below has been extended until 15 September 2025, 10:00am.

Scope

Reference

2923

Description

The design, supply, installation, and commissioning of a state-of-the-art modular vertical farming system. This infrastructure will support a wide range of academic and commercial research projects in controlled environment agriculture (CEA), with a strong emphasis on flexibility, modularity, and precision control.

Total value (estimated)

- £459,266 excluding VAT
- £551,119.20 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 3 November 2025 to 1 April 2029
- 3 years, 4 months, 29 days

Main procurement category

Services

Additional procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 77300000 - Horticultural services

- 77100000 - Agricultural services

Contract locations

- UKF14 - Nottingham

Participation

Legal and financial capacity conditions of participation

See Tender Documentation

Technical ability conditions of participation

See Tender Documentation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

8 September 2025, 10:00am

Tender submission deadline

15 September 2025, 10:00am

Submission address and any special instructions

https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlentrance_s.asp?PID=96864&B=

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

16 October 2025

Award criteria

| Name | Description | Type | Weighting |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Commercial Offer | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Cost | 25% |
| Flexibility and Research Suitability | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 20% |
| Technical Compliance and System Quality | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 16% |

| Name | Description | Type | Weighting |
|-----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| After-Sales Support, Warranty, and Maintenance | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 10% |
| Sustainability and Energy Efficiency | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 10% |
| Methodology for Installation | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 5% |
| Health & Safety | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 5% |
| Training and Support | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 3% |
| Innovation and Future-Proofing | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 3% |
| Value-Added Collaboration and Strategic Partnership | Please see tender documentation for award criteria | Quality | 3% |

Other information

Payment terms

See Tender Documentation

Description of risks to contract performance

N/A

Applicable trade agreements

- Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Open procedure

Justification for not publishing a preliminary market engagement notice

Funding deadline for delivery of the project.

Contracting authority

Nottingham Trent University (NTU)

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PLJN-1931-JMHG

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government