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Tender

## **250166 Contract for the Supply, Delivery (unloaded and positioned at the point of use), Installation, Commissioning and Maintenance of a Gravimetric Sorption Analyzer**

Queen's University Belfast

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

250166

### **Description**

The acquisition of a gravimetric microbalance for accurate measurement of gas uptake, sorption kinetics and thermodynamic sorption profile of a wide variety of materials, both solids and liquids

### **Total value (estimated)**

- £400,000 excluding VAT

- £479,999 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

### **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 8 December 2025 to 8 December 2030
- Possible extension to 8 December 2035
- 10 years, 1 day

Description of possible extension:

One-off purchase with 60 months warranty, including maintenance and any associated consumables or ancillary items, with options to extend for a further 60 months or until the end of the equipment's useable life.

### **Main procurement category**

Goods

### **CPV classifications**

- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

### **Contract locations**

- UKN06 - Belfast

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## **Submission**

**Enquiry deadline**

3 November 2025, 4:00pm

**Tender submission deadline**

6 November 2025, 4:00pm

**Submission address and any special instructions**

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

**Tenders may be submitted electronically**

Yes

**Languages that may be used for submission**

English

**Award decision date (estimated)**

1 December 2025

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**Award criteria**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Type</b>
Simple description	1. Mandatory Technical Requirements - PASS/FAIL 2. Desirable Technical Requirements -15% 3. Qualitative Requirements 10% 4. Sustainable Procurement - 5% 5. Price 70%	Price

## **Weighting description**

1. Mandatory Technical Requirements - PASS/FAIL
2. Desirable Technical Requirements -15%
3. Qualitative Requirements 10%
4. Sustainable Procurement - 5%
5. Price 70%

## **Other information**

### **Payment terms**

30 days after delivery on receipt of a valid and undisputed invoice.

### **Description of risks to contract performance**

QUB recognises that certain risks associated with the procurement and operation of a Gravimetric Sorption Analyzer are not fully quantifiable at the time of tender. These 'known unknowns' include, but are not limited to, technology evolution, integration challenges, supply chain disruptions, and software lifecycle changes, increased value or scope due to demand requirements. Suppliers are expected to identify any foreseeable

risks, propose mitigation strategies, and demonstrate flexibility in addressing emerging issues throughout the contract lifecycle.

Whilst it is not possible at this stage to fully anticipate the nature or extent of future developments or integration requirements, nor to determine their potential impact on contract performance, QUB recognises that such changes may arise over the course of the contract. Accordingly, it is acknowledged that these circumstances may necessitate a modification of the contract to appropriately address and accommodate any emerging risks or requirements.

### **Conflicts assessment prepared/revised**

Yes

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## **Procedure**

### **Procedure type**

Open procedure

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## **Documents**

### **Associated tender documents**

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

Suppliers wishing to express an interest in this tender must register at this address and download the documentation

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## Contracting authority

### Queen's University Belfast

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Region: UKN06 - Belfast

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Northern Ireland