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Contract

Virtualisation Infrastructure Servers and Storage

Heriot-Watt University

F03: Contract award notice

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

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://hw.ac.uk

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search} \underline{AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0030} \\ 7$

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Virtualisation Infrastructure Servers and Storage

Reference number

HWU-UK-2425-093-00

II.1.2) Main CPV code

72300000 - Data services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The University wishes to procure a contractor who can provide a fully designed and supported Virtual Infrastructure, Hardware and Software solution.

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: £352,328.65

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

Heriot-Watt University

Riccarton Campus

Edinburgh

EH14 4AS

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The University wishes to procure a contractor who can provide a fully designed and supported Virtual Infrastructure, Hardware and Software solution.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 75

Cost criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 25

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

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: 2025/S 000-000769

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

HWU-UK-2425-093-00

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

9 June 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 7

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 7

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Circle IT Solutions

2 Mulberry Drive

Cardiff

CF23 8AB

Telephone

+44 07896226161

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

• UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £352,328.65

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts(Scotland)Regulations 2015.

Tenderers will be asked to submit the following forms. These forms are for information only and will not be scored: Form of Tender, Bona Fide Tender, Freedom of Information, Supply Chain Code of Conduct.

The Successful Tenderer must confirm that they comply with the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act2015.

The Successful Tenderer will be required to provide two years audited accounts, or equivalent prior to awarded to the Contract, or confirm in their tender submission the publicly accessible, free, online location of accounts if available in such a format.

There must be no qualification or contra-indication from any evidence provided in support of the Contractor's economic and financial standing.

Where the capability & capacity of a subcontractor, members of a consortia or any other body will be relied on, separate SPD(s) are required from each of those other parties relied on.

Where subcontractors are to be used but their capability & capacity are not relied on, the University may choose to request separate SPD(s).

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise.

The Project code is 28343. The ITT code is 57764

(SC Ref:812888)

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court and Justice of the Peace Court

Edinburgh

Country

United Kingdom