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Planning

## **ICT Contracts' Optimisation, Negotiation and Consulting Service**

University of Bedfordshire

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### **Scope**

### **Reference**

UoB/P ICT - 00000717

### **Description**

Provision of ICT Contracts' Optimisation, Negotiation and Consulting Services

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

- £500,000 excluding VAT
- £600,000 including VAT

## **Contract dates (estimated)**

- 2 March 2026 to 1 March 2027
- Possible extension to 1 March 2029
- 3 years

## **Main procurement category**

Services

## **CPV classifications**

- 66171000 - Financial consultancy services
- 71316000 - Telecommunication consultancy services
- 72200000 - Software programming and consultancy services
- 72224000 - Project management consultancy services
- 72227000 - Software integration consultancy services
- 72246000 - Systems consultancy services
- 72266000 - Software consultancy services

## **Contract locations**

- UKH21 - Luton
- UKH24 - Bedford
- UKJ13 - Buckinghamshire CC
- UKH2 - Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire

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## **Engagement**

### **Engagement deadline**

21 November 2025

### **Engagement process description**

The University of Bedfordshire (UoB) ICT department proposes to publish the above titled tender early in 2026. A first draft of the specification is attached for your information.

Before going ahead with the tender, we would like to engage the market with a view to

- (a) developing the University's requirements and approach to the procurement;
- (b) designing a procedure, conditions of participation or award criteria;
- (c) preparing the tender notice and associated tender documents;
- (d) identifying suppliers that may be able to supply the service required;

We invite any supplier(s), able to meet these requirements, to signify their interest in meeting with us virtually for this Preliminary Market Engagement which will enable us develop the actual tender process.

Virtual meetings are scheduled for the week commencing 24th November, 2025

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## **Submission**

### **Publication date of tender notice (estimated)**

21 November 2025

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## Contracting authority

### University of Bedfordshire

- UK Register of Learning Providers (UKPRN number): 10007152

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)