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Tender

Migration and Support of the UWS Website (Web Hosting Services)

University of the West of Scotland

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM83 - Inverclyde, East Renfrewshire and Renfrewshire

Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.uws.ac.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0047

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/esop/pts-host/public/pts/web/login.html

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

Migration and Support of the UWS Website (Web Hosting Services)

Reference number

UWS-2025-164

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72222300 - Information technology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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UWS has defined a Technical Design Architecture (TDA) and associated requirements for this migration. This tender request sets out those requirements in detail and invites suppliers to propose a delivery approach, costs, and support framework.

The specification outlines the current technical infrastructure, but equivalent solutions will be acceptable.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The successful supplier will be responsible for delivering a reliable, secure, and resilient hosting solution via a Cloud Solution Provider (currently Microsoft Azure). The supplier will be expected to:

- Design and implement the agreed solution architecture.
- Provide necessary automation for deployment and infrastructure management.
- Configure security, monitoring, and disaster recovery.
- Deliver supporting documentation and knowledge transfer to UWS staff.
- Support testing, launch, and post-launch assurance.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Price - Weighting: 40

II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

optional 12 month extension

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

Please refer to Question 4B.5 of the SPD and Economic and Financial Standing section of the Contract Notice. Tenderers must confirm that they can provide the following supporting evidence prior to award:

- Employers Liability 5,000,000 GBP
- Public Liability 15,000,000 GBP
- Professional Indemnity 5,000,000 GBP
- Cyber Insurance 1,000,000 GBP

To demonstrate and evidence suitable economic standing, the successful Contractor will be required to provide 2 years audited accounts, or equivalent if awarded the contract.

Alternatively, if the Contractor is unable to provide the required accounting information, e.g. due to being a new business, then they will be required to provide a banker's letter demonstrating their willingness to the support the Contractor's organisation over the term of the contract.

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1)	Descri	ption
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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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

8 December 2025

Local time

12:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

8 December 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Place

PCSt

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.3) Additional information

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 61321. For more information see:

http://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

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