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Tender

HVAC at Energy House 1

University of Salford

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Scope

Description

1.1.1 The University of Salford (UoS) is a leading public institution located in Greater Manchester, UK, with a strong reputation for combining academic excellence and industry engagement. Established in 1967, it serves over 20,000 students across

undergraduate, postgraduate, and research programs. Salford is recognised for its close ties to industry, particularly in media, health, engineering, and digital sectors, supported by its strategic location adjacent to MediaCityUK.

1.1.2 The University operates two unique research facilities: Energy House 1 and Energy House 2.0. Both facilities contain environmental climate chambers that house test buildings. Energy House 1, located in the Cockcroft building, features a Victorian End Terrace House and was the first of its kind when constructed. The chamber enables the simulation of a wide range of European weather conditions, allowing for the testing of construction products and heating systems under controlled conditions

environments. The environmental chamber has a dedicated heating and ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system.

1.1.3 After more than 10 year in operation, Energy House 1 is experiencing maintenance and performance issues with its existing HVAC system. Over time, both testing methods and the technologies under evaluation have evolved. For example, the introduction of Air Source Heat Pumps (ASHPs) has created new requirements for humidity control. The majority of work performed at Energy House 1 involves replicating outside temperature experienced during the UK heating season (-5 °C to +15 °C). Clients also express interest in performing research in extreme winter and summer conditions (-10 °C to +40 °C).

Total value (estimated)

- £222,000 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 February 2026 to 1 February 2028
- 2 years

Main procurement category

Works

CPV classifications

- 45000000 - Construction work
- 51000000 - Installation services (except software)

Contract locations

- UKD3 - Greater Manchester

Participation

Conditions of participation

For full tender information and to express an interest please visit our InTend portal link:
<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/salford/aspx/Home>

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

8 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

16 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Award Criteria Weighting

Price 15%

Quality Technical 30%

Service & Maintenance 20%

Health & Safety 15%

References 10%

Sustainability 10%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

University of Salford

- Charity Commission (England and Wales): RC000666
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDHR-3751-QPQR

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Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government