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Award

Purchase of 3 portable human MRI open software systems

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

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Scope

Reference

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Description

Cardiff University is looking into awarding a contract for Purchase of 3 portable human MRI open software systems.

Systems need to operate at very low field strength (40

Contract 1. Purchase of 3 portable human MRI open software systems

Supplier

- Open Imaging B.V.

Contract value

- £345,000 excluding VAT
- £414,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Earliest date the contract will be signed

17 December 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 18 December 2025 to 17 December 2026
- 1 year

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33100000 - Medical equipments

Contract locations

- UKL - Wales
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Participation

Particular suitability

Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Direct award justification

Switching to direct award

On October 28th, all suppliers listed on the NHS framework for MRI Scanners and Related Services (2021/S 000-007768) were contacted. The suppliers include Siemens, Philips, GE Healthcare, Medical Imaging Systems, Canon, Esaote and Hitachi. Each of these suppliers has confirmed their inability to fulfil the current requirement.

In response to this situation, the Procurement Lead issued a Preliminary market engagement notice on Sell2Wales and Find a Tender for a duration of two weeks with deadline of 30/10/25. During this period, only one supplier expressed interest Wardray Premise Ltd, after further conversations supplier confirmed that they are not able to fulfil the requirement.

Subsequently, the Procurement Lead contacted the only remaining known supplier in the market, Open Imaging, who confirmed their capability to fulfil the requirement.

Supplier

Open Imaging B.V.

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDXJ-7696-MCLQ

Margaret Staalstraat 19

Leiden

2331MR

Netherlands

Email: t.oreilly@openimaging.eu

Website: <http://www.openimaging.eu>

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): Yes

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

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Contracting authority

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

- Companies House: RC000089
- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PHVT-4343-HWYR

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Region: UKL22 - Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales