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Tender

SU72(26) Re-tender for a Portable Ultrasound Machine with Specialised Phased Array Cardiac, Linear and Non-imaging Probes

Swansea University

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Scope

Reference

SU72(26)

Description

This re-tender procurement process is to source a suitable supplier of high-end portable Ultrasound Machine with specialised phased array cardiac, linear and non-imaging probes. The original Specification from tender SU05(26) which was advertised but not awarded in September/October 2025, has been overhauled to better address the challenges of its practical use in the intended physical environments, as well as its extended scope of data analysis, to better meet the needs of the research.

The role of this equipment is to satisfy the high-quality clinical research imaging to be acquired in remote locations with underserved populations. Dr Drane has laid foundations to explore how rapid urbanisation contributes to rising rates of cardiometabolic disease worldwide and in order to understand the earliest mechanisms of pathophysiology and

disease, the scope of the research needs to include people whose lifestyles remain largely unaffected by urbanisation. Since the remote locations of such communities often exclude them from institutional research, a fully portable, high-end ultrasound machine is needed to enable inclusive, community-based research.

The successful supplier must be able to deliver their equipment to the Health and Wellbeing Academy, Glyndwr building on the University's Singleton Park Campus (map and full address provided within tender documents).

External funding has been granted from the Higher Education Research Council (HERC) for a fixed maximum budget of GBP 44,900 excluding VAT (this equipment is VAT exempt due to its medical research usage) which includes all delivery and service contract costs.

The HERC funding stipulates a delivery deadline of 31st March 2026, so we would like to achieve delivery with appropriate training and SOPs provided to all users, as soon as is practically possible.

This tender is being conducted electronically via etenderwales BravoSolution (project 32109, itt 121866), therefore only tenders submitted via that portal by the tender deadline, can be considered.

Total value (estimated)

- £44,900 excluding VAT
- £44,900 including VAT

Below the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 6 February 2026 to 31 March 2027
- Possible extension to 31 March 2031
- 5 years, 1 month, 23 days

Description of possible extension:

Dependent on length of extended warranty and/or service contract offered by winning tenderer, since tender documents ask for up to 5 years cover and delivery deadline is 31st March 2026

Main procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 33000000 - Medical equipments, pharmaceuticals and personal care products
- 38000000 - Laboratory, optical and precision equipments (excl. glasses)

Contract locations

- UKL18 - Swansea

Participation

Conditions of participation

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Particular suitability

- Small and medium-sized enterprises (SME)
- Voluntary, community and social enterprises (VCSE)

Submission

Enquiry deadline

6 January 2026, 12:00pm

Tender submission deadline

13 January 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

etenderwales BravoSolution (project 32109, itt 121866)

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk>

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Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Technical Requirements	as detailed in tender document 3. Tender Specification available on etenderwales BravoSolution	Quality	50.00%
Price Schedule	as detailed in tender document 3. Tender Specification available on the etenderwales BravoSolution website	Price	20.00%
Training and Aftersales Support	as detailed within tender document 3. Tender Specification available on etenderwales BravoSolution	Quality	15.00%
Lead Time and Delivery	as detailed in tender document 3. Tender Specification available on the etenderwales BravoSolution website	Quality	15.00%

Procedure

Procedure type

Below threshold - open competition

Contracting authority

Swansea University

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

Devolved regulations that apply: Wales