

United Kingdom-London: Software package and information systems
OJ S 55/2019 19/03/2019
Contract award notice
Supplies

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Royal Veterinary College

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Town: London

NUTS code: UKI London

Postal code: NW1 0TU

Country: United Kingdom

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Telephone: +44 2039054532

Internet address(es):

Main address: <https://www.rvc.ac.uk/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://www.rvc.ac.uk/>

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

Invitation to Tender for the Provision of a Research Management System

Reference number: CA4675 -

II.1.2. Main CPV code

48000000 Software package and information systems

II.1.3. Type of contract

Supplies

II.1.4. Short description

The Royal Veterinary College wishes to replace its current paper based research grant management system with a fully integrated “off the shelf” software solution. It is therefore engaging in this procurement process to select an appropriate research management system.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 733 964,85 GBP

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

48482000 Business intelligence software package, 48422000 Software package suites, 48517000 IT software package

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKI London

Main site or place of performance: London.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

The College wishes to move away from a paper-based system to a fully integrated “off the shelf” software solution, which encourages academics to interact with the system at all stages in the grants life-cycle, thereby reducing their dependency on the research office. The new research management system should require minimal customisation in order to provide its users with a streamlined process around bidding and awards management, thereby creating efficiencies in staff time and improving the quality of management information on grant income, departmental success rates and allied metrics.

The College desires to purchase a research management system that will allow for the “cradle-to-grave” management of research grants and contracts, with the ability to exchange information through a API with other electronic systems. This tender focuses upon the provision of a system that addresses both post award and pre-award functionality/modules.

II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80.00 %

Price - Weighting: 20.00 %

II.2.11. Information about options

Options: yes

Description of options:

60 month(s) from the commencement date, with 48 initial month(s) and option to extend 1 x 12 month(s).

II.2.13. Information about European Union funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds:
no

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

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.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2018/S 054-119140](#)

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: CA4675

Title:

Invitation to Tender for the Provision of a Research Management System

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

18/02/2019

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: no

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Worktribe Ltd

Postal address: 4 Castle Boulevard

Town: Nottingham

NUTS code: UK United Kingdom

Postal code: NG7 1FB

Country: United Kingdom

E-mail: projects@worktribe.com

Telephone: +44 8700201760

Internet address: www.worktribe.com

The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Total value of the contract/lot: 733 964,85 GBP

V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

Northern Procurement Group Ltd (who are a subsidiary of Dukefield Ltd) are acting as agents of the Royal Veterinary College in the procurement of the research management system.

The Contracting Authority will be using an e-tendering system to conduct the procurement exercise. To access the procurement documentation suppliers must register their company details on the Sourcing Cloud system at <https://suppliers.multiquote.com>

The tender is available from the opportunities menu on the login page of the site. The Contracting Authority shall not be under any obligation to accept the lowest tender or indeed any tender.

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The Royal Veterinary College expressly reserves the rights:

- (a) to terminate the procurement process and not to award any contract as a result of the procurement process at any time,
- (b) to make whatever changes it may see fit to the content and structure of the procurement as detailed within the tender documentation;
- (c) to award a contract covering only part of it's requirements if explicitly detailed within the tender documentation;
- (d) to disqualify any organisation from the process that canvasses any employee of the Contracting Authority during the procurement process or standstill period if applicable;
- (e) seek clarifications to tender responses on the basis that any clarification sought will not confer any undue competitive advantage in the favour of any supplier from whom such clarifications are being sought;
- (f) where the Contracting Authority can evidence that there is a conflict of interest, either personal or inconsideration of any organisation bidding for the contract, the Contracting Authority shall have the explicit right to immediately exclude that person or organisation from the tender process entirely;
- (g) the Contracting Authority will not be liable for any costs incurred by tenderers.

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: The Royal Veterinary College

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VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.3. Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures:

The Royal Veterinary College will incorporate a minimum 10-day standstill period at the point information on the award of contract is communicated to tenderers. Bidders who are unsuccessful shall be informed by the Contracting Authority as soon as possible after the decision is made as to the reasons why the bidder was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for the aggrieved parties who have been harmed or who are at risk of Harm by the breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland). Any action must be generally brought within 3 months. If a declaration of ineffectiveness is sought, any such action must be brought within 30 days where the Contracting Authority has communicated the award of the contract and a summary of reasons to tenderers, or otherwise

within 6 months of the contract being entered into. Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the Contracting Authority to amend any document and may award damages. If the contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order the Contracting Authority to pay a fine, and/or order that the duration of the contract be shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.

VI.4.4. Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

15/03/2019