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Data Centre Equipment & Infrastructure 2024

Contracting Authority **NEUPC**

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Key Information

Framework Start Date 14/02/2024

Current End Date 13/02/2026

Framework Suppliers

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2BM Ltd
APT (Advanced Power Technology Ltd)
Durata UK Ltd
Keysource Ltd
Sudlows Ltd
Upnorth Engineering Services Ltd
Workspace Technology

Scope of Requirements

The purpose of this Framework Agreement is to provide a compliant route to market for the provision of any or all elements of the Supply, Installation, management, maintenance and disposal of Data Centre Management Equipment & Data Centre Infrastructure plus data centre related design and Consultancy. The Maintenance and management of existing Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure is also included plus disposal including the removal and recycling of Data Centre Management equipment and Infrastructure. Equipment and or Infrastructure may be required to existing or brand-new Data Centre environments, for example for fit out, for refurbishment, for relocation or for upgrade purposes. Equipment and Infrastructure includes Uninterrupted Power Supplies, cooling equipment, generators, gas & fire suppression systems, PDUs, server & network racks, cabinets, blanking panels, building management equipment, monitoring equipment, modular and mobile data centre infrastructure, edge/micro data centre Infrastructure, plus equipment and infrastructure as part of modular or prefab units, containerised / pre-fab units. This list is not exhaustive.

Accessibility

Members of the following organisations can access this Framework Agreement:
North Eastern Universities Purchasing Consortium (NEUPC)
Advance Procurement for Universities and Colleges (APUC)
Higher Education Purchasing Consortium Wales (HEPCW)
London Universities Purchasing Consortium (LUPC)
North Western Universities Purchasing Consortium (NWUPC)
Southern Universities Purchasing Consortium (SUPC)
Crescent Purchasing Consortium (CPC)

Call Off Method

Call-off from the Framework Agreement is by means of either Direct Award (ranked), Desktop Exercise or Further Competition.

Responsible Procurement

- Provision to manage sustainable impacts via the Net Positives supplier action tool and UN Sustainability Code of Conduct
- Supply Chain benefit through inclusion of electronics watch terms and conditions

Added Value

- Cash savings are calculated at Framework level, based upon the difference between general market list price and the price being offered via the Framework agreement. Additional savings are also possible through further competition and committed aggregated spend for individual institutions
- Non-Cash savings: use of Framework for a complex procurement. Contract specifications are included in Framework specification.
- Compliance to all relevant legislation
- Flexible call-off options, including 30% allowable variation to evaluation criteria for desktop exercise or mini-competition
- Direct control of contract management and supplier reviews at consortia level. All supplier contact details are available via HEC
- Established HE Suppliers awarded to the framework providing longevity and experience
- Robust terms and conditions
- An updated specification

For further information, please refer to the [Buyers Guide](#)

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