

Data Centre Management Equipment and Infrastructure Including Supply, Installation, Management and Maintenance (ITS2002NE)

SUMMARY

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End date: 30th December, 2019

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SCOPE

This framework comprises two lots:

- Lot 1 – Data Centre Equipment – This lot covers Uninterruptable Power Supplies (UPS), cooling equipment, generators, gas and fire suppression systems and Power Distribution Units (PDUs). This lot also includes consultancy.
- Lot 2 - Data Centre Infrastructure – This lot covers server and network racks, cabinets, blanking panels, building management equipment. This lot also includes consultancy.

This framework is available for use by any member institution of the UK Higher Education Purchasing Consortia, and Crescent Purchasing Consortium.

This framework has now been extended for 3 months to the 30th December 2019, all suppliers have signed up to the extension (see how to Buy note for more Information).

AGREEMENT BENEFITS

The framework was designed by IT and Telecoms procurement experts from higher education institutions to meet your needs.

- The agreement offers a broad scope of equipment, infrastructure and consultancy enabling you to meet your institution's own individual needs in innovative ways.
- It is compliant with EU procurement law, minimising your risk of litigation.
- You don't need to carry out a full EU tender, saving you money, time and resources.
- The framework's eight suppliers have been rigorously evaluated by NEUPC and its member-led tender working party.
- There is an effective framework management system in place - suppliers attend regular review meetings with NEUPC.
- The framework will provide continued savings for institutions – with cash savings of up to up to 21% on lot 1 and up to 15.6% on lot 2. These savings figures were calculated by comparing a list of suppliers' prices with manufacturers' prices (BT2) when the framework was developed.

USING THE FRAMEWORK

You must run a further competition and cannot direct award. To do this, you will invite all suppliers on the relevant lot(s) for this framework to respond to a further-competition. Full details of how you will run a further competition can be found in the buyer's guide available on the contracts database unibuy. Each institution will observe their own procurement rules and regulations when deciding which supplier will offer them best value. All contracts entered into on the basis of the framework shall be between your institution and the supplier. You must record and justify supplier selection.

SUPPLIERS

Lot	Suppliers
Lot 1 - Equipment	2BM Ltd, APT (Advanced Power Technology Ltd), Cannon Technologies, Future-Tech SCI, Insight Direct UK plc, Keysource Ltd, Robert M Donaldson Ltd, Workspace Technology Ltd,
Lot 2 - Infrastructure	2BM Ltd, APT (Advanced Power Technology Ltd), Cannon Technologies, Future-Tech SCI, Insight Direct UK plc, Keysource Ltd, Robert M Donaldson Ltd, Workspace Technology Ltd,

SUSTAINABILITY

NEUPC thoroughly examined suppliers regarding their approach to sustainability – with 10 per cent of the overall scoring being allocated to this important area.

NEXT STEPS

To use this framework visit the agreement page on the HE contracts database at: <https://www.hecontracts.co.uk/agreements/181> From there, you can view the agreements, suppliers, supplier contact details, terms and conditions and a complete Buyers Guide. If you need assistance, please contact the person with responsibility for procurement at your institution, or contact NEUPC Category Manager Paul Eagleton at p.eagleton@leeds.ac.uk