

## APUC Lasers and Associated Equipment (Dynamic Purching System) LAB1022 AP (11681)

### SUMMARY

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### SCOPE

Types of Lasers and associated equipment and servicing provided under the Agreement:

- Femtosecond lasers
- Picosecond lasers
- Nanosecond lasers
- Pulsed lasers
- Continuous Wave lasers
- Tunable lasers
- Optical diagnostic equipment
- Fibre lasers
- Particle Image Velocimetry (PIV) lasers
- Diode lasers
- Super-continuum lasers
- Laser micromachining systems
- Gas lasers
- Terahertz equipment
- Laser components / sub-assemblies
- laser safety and protective equipment
- Cytometer equipment
- Systems maintenance, servicing and take-back schemes
- Any other current or new Laser Equipment covered under the specification but not explicitly listed above.

### AGREEMENT BENEFITS

- A pre-competed and compliant route to market providing a vehicle to centralise procurement spend;
- Mitigation of Procurement risk surrounding EU Procurement;
- Reduction in administrative costs and efforts;
- Provides flexibility to Institutions to determine specific requirements at Call-off Contract in line with the DPS specification;
- Effective reporting mechanism to obtain accurate, timely and relevant management information;
- Corporate Social Responsibility – adherence to minimum standards;
- Pre-defined and agreed Terms and Conditions;
- Shared risk and management of Contractors.

## **USING THE FRAMEWORK**

This Agreement has been tendered as a Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). Call-off will be by means of mini-competition. A total of 14 suppliers were awarded on the DPS, however, suppliers are able to apply to join the DPS at any time during the Agreement lifetime. Any documentation will be updated accordingly.

## **SUPPLIERS**

## **SUSTAINABILITY**

All suppliers were required to sign the APUC Sustain Supply Chain Code of Conduct and to submit information regarding Living Wage. The Specification of Requirement include aspects such as Modern Slavery or Fair Work Practices.

Under a Dynamic Purchasing System, there is no opportunity to impose tender questions but examples sustainability questions are included in the Buyers Guide for Institutions to inspire from and include in their tenders.

In parallel, APUC follows a Responsible Procurement Action Plan and sustainability projects/questions are discussed with suppliers during Contract Management.

## **NEXT STEPS**