

SSSNA - Servers, Storage & Solutions National Agreement (ITS4043 SU)

SUMMARY

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The purpose of this framework agreement is to deliver an efficient and compliant route to market for participating public bodies, by minimising the resource and providing value for money.

This framework agreement was procured via the open procedure tendering process and advertised on Intend and in the Find A Tender Reference Number **2021/S 061-103632**.

SCOPE

This framework covers the provision of servers, storage and solutions, including converged infrastructure and end to end solutions. It also includes soft services to support the delivery and implementation of these products and solutions.

This Agreement is split into 5 lots as follows:

Lot 1: Servers

Lot 2: Storage

Lot 3: Solutions - Converged, Hyper-Converged, Hybrid and Other solutions (excluding HPC and DIC)

Lot 4: Solutions - High Performance Computing (HPC) and Data Intensive Computing (DIC) Only

Lot 5: Reseller Solutions

AGREEMENT BENEFITS

There are several benefits to using this framework:

- All hardware pricing includes a standard 5-year next business day fix on-site warranty, together with an options to extend the warranty period up to 7 years.
- Prices are held for 12 months and reviewed annually
- Provides compliance under current UK Procurement Directives.
- Full software support is provided and facilitates access for Member Institutions and their buyers to obtain patches, bug fixes, new software releases and documentation (including BIOS firmware releases) as required.
- Lots for Solutions which allow Member Institutions to procure high value, technical solutions within the compute category such as converged, hyper-converged, high performance computing and hybrid solutions.
- OEM Led Solutions Lots (Lots 1-4) allowing direct engagement with manufacturers.
- Reseller Led Solutions lot (Lot 5) bringing more competition for high value, technical solutions within the compute category and allowing better management of deal registration.
- New Call off Contract for Institutions to use as template for contracting with suppliers
- Gives robust performance management by setting clear KPI's to be monitored over the life of the agreement.

USING THE FRAMEWORK

SUPPLIERS

Lot	Suppliers
Lot 1: Servers	Dell Corporation Ltd, Fujitsu Services Ltd, HPE Ltd, Lenovo Technology (UK) Ltd, Supermicro Inc,
Lot 2: Storage	Dell Corporation Ltd, Fujitsu Services Ltd, HPE Ltd, Lenovo Technology (UK) Ltd, Netapp UK Ltd, Pure Storage UK Limited, Supermicro Inc,
Lot 3: Solutions - Converged, Hyper-Converged, Hybrid and Other solutions (excluding HPC and DIC)	Dell Corporation Ltd, Fujitsu Services Ltd, HPE Ltd, Lenovo Technology (UK) Ltd, Supermicro Inc,
Lot 4: Solutions - High Performance Computing (HPC) and Data Intensive Computing (DIC) Only	Dell Corporation Ltd, Fujitsu Services Ltd, HPE Ltd, Lenovo Technology (UK) Ltd, NEC Europe Ltd, Supermicro Inc, XMA Ltd ,
Lot 5: Reseller Solutions	BIOS IT (Trading as Boston Limited), CAE Technology Services Ltd , CDW Ltd, CSI Ltd., Computacenter (UK) Ltd, Logicalis Ltd, MTI Technology Limited, Novatech Ltd, OCF, SCC (Specialist Computer Centres) plc, Softcat PLC, Trustmarque Solutions Ltd, XMA Ltd ,

SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is an important element for this agreement and therefore a large selection of questions covering buying sustainably, supply chain sustainability and organisational sustainability was assessed. For further details on the questions asked please see Appendix C.

NEXT STEPS