

***Additional information:***

***Introduction:***

Lancaster University is entering into a new phase of its digital journey by implementing an IT strategy that will transform the way we operate to enhance the strategic goals of the University.

We are looking for suppliers who share our ambition and wish to partner with us to deliver the strategy.

There is no limit to our ambition. We have an incredible University, world leading staff and a dedicated high achieving student cohort. The ingredients are all here to create effective partnerships that delivers outstanding experiences and results.

The University has published this notice to invite interest in attendance at a “Meet the Buyer” day. The aim of the event is to give suitable suppliers an opportunity to engage with the University, find out about our upcoming IT Strategy, and discuss aspects of our requirements, prior to formal Procurement activity commencing in Autumn 2023.

This event will not form part of the Procurement activity and any information shared will be included as an appendix to future procurements to ensure that it is open, fair and no advantage is gained by suppliers who attend.

We invite you to join us on this journey so that we can take this opportunity for greatness together.

***Meet the Buyer Event:***

Will be at Lancaster University’s main campus on **Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2023**.

During the event, we will be looking to explore:

- The IT Strategy, requirements and upcoming opportunities centred around the areas of
  - Identity
  - Security
  - Data & Integration
  - CRM & Platforms
  - Cloud, Intune etc
  - Network
  - Innovation (incl. RPA, AI, VR, AR)
  - Other
- Opportunities for partnership and business relationship development to deliver value for money.
- Sustainable and efficient pathways to procurement.

A limited number of 1 to 1 discussions will be available on the day with the potential for follow-up calls after the event for further discussions and clarifications.

If you are interested in finding out more about our digital ambitions, please register [here](#)

**Please note: Availability for the event is limited and we reserve the discretion to allocate availability in line with our strategic goals. This will not impact any future Procurement activity.**