

Translate: Medical Technologies in the Leeds City Region

Mapping of innovation capability within Translate partner universities.

Invitation to tender

Background

The Leeds City Region is a driving force for the UK healthcare sector, with world-leading clinical expertise and research and development capacity across its universities, hospitals, healthcare and medical device manufacturing sectors.

Translate: Medical Technologies in the Leeds City Region is a partnership of universities in the Leeds City Region with world-class expertise in the development of new medical technologies.

Translate seeks to develop nationally leading capability in Medical Technology Innovation in the Leeds City Region, establishing a sustainable community of academic, industry and clinical partners that are connected and committed to working in partnership to deliver a strong local economy and patient benefits.

Translate is led by the University of Leeds, working in partnership with the Universities of Bradford, Huddersfield, Leeds Beckett and York.

Translate is financed by the HEFCE Catalyst Fund (£2.25m, 2015-18). The Catalyst Fund aims to drive innovation in the Higher Education sector, enhance excellence and efficiency in higher education, and support innovative solutions.

Further information: <http://www.translate-medtech.ac.uk>

Brief

Conduct a mapping exercise to identify innovation capability within the Universities of Bradford, Huddersfield, Leeds, Leeds Beckett, Sheffield Hallam and York, identifying best practise and unique proficiencies within each university in translating and commercialising research.

We expect consultants to deliver:

1) A report on each university, detailing:

- structures – how business development and technology transfer functions are structured
- expertise – what support these functions provide
- processes – outlining the journey an academic would follow to commercialise their research; and the journey a company would take to access academic expertise
- practices – actions, activities and interventions to deliver translation and commercialisation

2) An overarching report identifying areas of good practice.

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We expect this work to be conducted via desk based research and interviews with business development and technology transfer managers.

Consultants must provide evidence of experience in conducting similar work.

Timescale

Delivery by **31 October 2018**

Budget

The budget for this work is up to a maximum of £25,000 (excluding VAT and including all expenses).

Quotations

Prospective consultants should outline: 1) their experience and track record in conducting similar work, 2) the approach they would adopt to address the requirements described above, and 3) a detailed breakdown of costs and timescales.

Deadline: **31 August 2018**

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