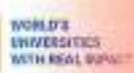




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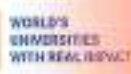
**AURORA INTEGRATED MULTIPURPOSE COOP./
 TRENDS AND TECHNOLOGIES INC. (JV)**

#7 PIONEER Door 11 & 12 ATU Building Duterte St., Davao City

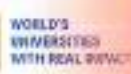
Madam/Sir:

This is to advise you that your bid dated **May 21, 2026** for **PR 26-02-065A; Public Bidding Procurement of ADOPTION OF DIGITAL LEARNING PLATFORM THROUGH ICT MODERNIZATION (WEB SECURITY WITH LOAD BALANCING) OF THE UNIVERSITY** and with the following Contract Price is hereby accepted:

Object of Bidding	Total Amount in Figures	Amount in Words
1. ONE (1) LOT ADOPTION OF DIGITAL LEARNING PLATFORM THROUGH ICT MODERNIZATION A.) WEB SECURITY WITH LOAD BALANCING - Php.4,383,480.00 A.1 Firewall High Latency and Manage Appliance Specifications: Firewall Throughput: up to 100,000 Mbps TLS Inspection Throughput: up to 13,500 Mbps Firewall IMIX: up to 52,000 Mbps Intrusion Prevention System (IPS): up to 40,000 Mbps IPsec VPN: up to 92,500 Mbps NGFW Throughput: up to 38,000 Mbps Threat Protection Throughput: up to 14,000 Mbps (or higher) Firewall Latency (64-byte UDP): 5 ?s (microsecond)	Php35,082,479.00	Thirty-Five Million Eighty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Pesos



Concurrent Connections: up to 32,400,000 (or higher) New Connections per Second: up to 468,000 (or higher) Concurrent IPsec VPN Tunnels: up to 10,000 (or higher) Concurrent SSL VPN Tunnels: up to 15,000 (or higher) Xstream SSL/TLS Inspection Throughput: up to 13,500 Mbps (or higher) Concurrent Connections Xstream SSL/TLS: up to 512,000 Mbps (or higher) Concurrent Connections Xstream SSL/TLS: up to 512,000 Mbps (or higher) Form Factor: 2U Connectivity: at least 8 x Gigabit Ethernet (GE) Copper Ports, at least 8 x SFP+ 10 GE Fiber Ports (expandable via modules) Interfaces: RJ45 Management port, RJ45 Console port, Micro-USB Console port, USB 3.0 port .Storage: at least 1TB Dual SSD Power Supply: Dual hot-swappable internal power supply Hardware RAID: Integrated Display: Multi-function LCD module With glass rack cabinet 19U enclosure OFFER: 1 Unit Sophos XGS-5500 with 3 years XStream Protection License SEE ATTACHED DATA SHEET		
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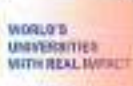
**A.2 Firewall Subscription -
 Php.4,767,000.00**

**3 SUBSCRIPTIONS -
 Php.1,589,000.00 PER
 YEAR '(for the Firewall
 High Latency and
 Manage Appliance)
 Specifications:
 Subscription Duration: 3
 years Software license
 Base License: Stateful
 Firewall, VPN, Wireless
 Network Protection:
 Intrusion Prevention
 (IPS), Advanced Threat
 Protection (ATP), SD-
 RED Device Management
 Web Protection: Web
 Security and Control,
 Application Control, Web
 Malware Protection
 Zero-day protection:
 Machine Learning,
 Sandboxing File Analysis,
 Threat Intelligence.
 Central Orchestration:
 SD-WAN VPN
 Orchestration, Central
 FIREWALL Reporting
 (CFR) Advanced. Email
 Protection: Anti-spam,
 Antivirus, Data Loss
 Prevention (DLP),
 Encryption, Email
 Malware Protection
 Webserver Protection:
 Web Application Firewall
 With Manage Pepwave
 Aps**

**OFFER:
 3 years Xstream Protection
 License
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**A.3 Subscription End Point
 Protection - Php.749,520.00**

**720 Licenses
 Php.1,041.00 PER
 LICENSE 720 Licenses
 Specifications:
 Subscription Duration: 3
 years with 20-user
 license End Point
 Detection**



Cloud-Hosted Management: for enforcement, auditing and reporting
Next Generation Exploit Prevention technology
Next Generation Anti-Ransomware protection and recovery
Deep-clean remediation of the entire threat chain
Root Cause Analysis: provides details and visualization of the threats
Malicious Traffic Detection
Flexible Policy Control: allows for policy management by machine or user
PPP 59

OFFER:

20 Licenses of Sophos EDR Endpoint for Workstations
 20 Endpoints x (12 months x 3 years) licenses
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A.4 Bandwidth Manager -
P5,638,500.00

2 Lots -
 Php.2,819,250.00 per lot
Specifications:
High Performance
Mounting Rail Kit
Operating System: 64-Bit
RAM: at least 32GB
Data Storage Capacity: at least 256 GB SSD
Mother Board: Server Class
Included Ports: Custom Copper Ethernet Ports
Optional Ports: Fiber
Number of Ports: up to 10
Expansion Slots: 1 PCI-e
Jumbo Frames: up to 9,000 bytes
Dual Power Supply (Watts): AC (110V/220V) / DC(12V/5A)360W Max



Maximum WAN Throughput: 1Gbps-10Gbps
Number of Routing Table Entries: 5 Million
Number of IPSec Tunnels: up to 9,000
Supported Protocols: IPSec, SSL, GRE, MPsec,, Routing Protocol (BGP/static/OSPF), SNMP, NTP, LACP
Integration: Active Directory, LDAP, TACACS, RADIUS, PIMS, Rest API's for SIEM, NMS, Syslog
QoS Mechanisms: Traffic Class, IP Precedence, DSCP, CBWFQ, LLQ
IPSec Crypto Options: AES-128, AES-256, 3DES, SHA-1, SHA2-256, SHA2-512, MD5, DH Group 2-18
IPv6 Ready
5G Ready PPP 61

OFFER:

2 units Fatpipe Bandwith manager with 3 years subscription
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A.5 Firewall Subscription -
Php.3,361,500.00

3 SUBSCRIPTIONS

PPP 61

Php.1,120,500.00 PER SUBSCRIPTION

(for the Bandwith Manager)

Specifications:

Subscription Duration: at least 3 Years ;

License Type: Software

Security Features: Built-in firewall, NAT

(Network Address Translation), IP filtering, and advanced security features

OFFER:

3 Years Subscription for Bandwith Manager

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**B.) ESTABLISHMENT OF
HYPERCONVERGED
INFRASTRUCTURE (HCI)**

**Application B.1 Server -
Php.7,149,400.00**

**2 LotS P3,574,700.00
PER LOT**

Specifications:

**Application Server &
Data Nodes**

**Designed for hyper-
converged infrastructure
(HCI) with software-
defined storage (SDS)**

**Two (2) Sets Application
Server**

**Two (2) Sets Data Nodes
Storage Network**

**HCI-capable node
supporting software-
defined storage (e.g.,
vSAN, Azure Stack HCI,
Nutanix or equivalent)**

**Note: equivalent
solutions must
demonstrate compliance
with enterprise-grade
HCI**

**requirements, including
high availability,
distributed storage
architecture,
centralized
management, scalability,
and vendor-supported
deployment
with SLA-backed
support.**

**Firmware must be
vendor-supported,
secure, and upgradable
D282**

**Preinstalled or
compatible with HCI
software version 7.0 or
higher (or equivalent)**

**No Transformational
License Agreement (TLA)**

Chassis & Form Factor

**2.5" Chassis with at least
8 NVMe drives**



Minimum 3 PCIe slots (Gen3 or higher) for expansion Rack-mounted server (1U or 2U form factor) Includes sliding rack rails No GPU Enablement UEFI BIOS Boot Mode with GPT Partition support Two (2) Processors (CPU): (Specifications per CPU) Base Clock: at least 2.4GHz Turbo Boost Speed: at least 3.6 (or higher) Cores/Threads: at least 24 Cores/ 48 Threads Cache: at least 36MB L3 (or higher) Max Turbo Frequency enabled Hyper-Threading (HT) TDP: ≤ 270 W Memory Speed: DDR4 or DDR5, ≥ 3200 MT/s Memory (RAM) At least 64GB RDIMM, server-grade, ECC Memory Type: DDR4 or DDR5 Speed: ≥ 3200 MT/s Dual Rank or equivalent , Must support expansion to higher capacity Storage 1 (Cache Tier) At least 1.6TB NVMe SSD Type: Enterprise-grade Interface: U.2/U.3 NVMe (PCIe Gen3 or Gen4) Usage: Write-intensive operations (cache tier) With carrier or tray compatible with chassis Storage 2 (Capacity Tier) At least 7TB NVMe SSD (NVMe or equivalent high-performance SSD) Type: Enterprise-grade Interface: U.2/U.3 NVMe (PCIe Gen3 or Gen4)		
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Usage: Read-intensive workloads (capacity tier) With carrier or tray compatible with chassis Storage Boot & RAID Configuration Dedicated boot storage controller or equivalent solution Dual M.2 or SSDs $\geq$ 480GB each Configured in RAID 1 (mirroring) 'Dedicated OS storage separating boot from data workloads Backplane: NVMe backplane supporting at least 8 x 2.5" NVMe SSDs Storage Software 'Must support HCI system software with cache and capacity drive architecture Must support distributed storage and data redundancy Software-defined storage preferred, hardware RAID optional Includes centralized management software for HCI environment Network Interface Card (NIC): Dual Port 10/25GbE SFP+ or SFP28 (or higher) Supports high-speed networking (10GbE/25GbE or higher) Interface: PCIe Gen3/Gen4 x8 or higher Ethernet Controller: Dual Port 1GbE RJ45 onboard (LOM) Speed: up to 1Gbps per port IEEE 802.3 compliant Remote Access Controller (Enterprise Edition)		
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Remote server management
Out-of-band system monitoring
Hardware lifecycle management
Supports DHCP and automated provisioning
Trusted Platform Module (TPM) 2.0 or higher
Power & Cooling
Dual, Hot-Plug, Redundant Power Supplies (1+1)
Minimum 1000W per PSU
High-efficiency rating (Platinum/Titanium or equivalent)
High-performance heatsink suitable for dual-CPU configuration
Management Port or Shared Port
Support & Warranty
Parts and Labor
Warranty: at least 36 Months (3 Years)
With 4-Hour Mission-Critical Onsite Support Service
Includes firmware updates and technical support for HCI environment
Certified Deployment Partner
Must be implemented by a vendor-authorized or certified partner
Includes installation, configuration, and initial cluster deployment

OFFER:

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The Intel Xeon Gold 5520+ has a base clock of 2.2GHz, slightly below the TOR's 2.4 GHz minimum base clock. However, this processor exceeds all other CPU





requirements substantially - 28 cores (vs 24 required), 52,5 MB L3 cache (vs 36 MB required) and a turbo frequency of 4.0 GHz (vs 3.6 GHz required) In HCI workloads, sustained multi-core performance is the critical benchmark. The 5520+ delivers superior aggregate throughput, memory bandwidth (DDR5 at 4800 MT/s), and PCIe 5.0 connectivity.

The processor is the vendor recommended CPU for the H3C UIS 3000 G6 HCI platform and is optimized for the UIS 8.0 software

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Usage is Mixed Use (MU) for cache tier. A mixed-use (MU) SSD is designed to handle a balanced ratio of data reads and writes

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Usage is Read-intensive for capacity/data tier

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Configuration will be done in the deployment phase

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Backplane is 12LFF

SATA3/SAS3/PCIe5.0 2U Expander (LSI36)

Drive Backplane Module (8Unibay) supports up to 8 NVMe SSDs

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On board 1Gbps Management Network Port. Provided also a 2-Port 10Gb/s PCIe3.0 x8 SFP+ Fiber Interface OCP3.0 that can be used for management

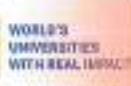
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B.2 Virtualization Software -
Php.3,650,600.00



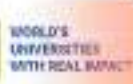


2 Licenses
Php.1,825,300.00 PER LICENSE
'(for the Hyperconverged Infrastructure Application Server)
'Specifications:
License Duration: at least 3 Years ;
.Support Mission Critical Software Support and Maintenance at least 48 months
Must be compatible with Hyperconverged Infrastructure (HCI) solutions
Must support software-defined storage, compute, and networking
Must be capable of high availability, scalability, and disaster recovery integration
Support for containerized workloads and Kubernetes integration
Must have built-in disaster recovery and backup options
With Free Additional Services:
Installation, Configuration, and Integration
Deployment and Implementation
User Training (covering administrators and end-users)
Two (2) Years of Managed Services, including: Regular system, monitoring and maintenance, Performance optimization, Troubleshooting and issue resolution
Note: Bidders Eligibility
1. The seller must have an 8x5 support



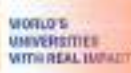
service (8 hours a day, 5 days a week) with online ticketing system for proper tracking of issues and concerns - The seller must have qualified Technical Support Engineers - The seller must have at least one (1) engineer with certification in handling fiber optic components - The seller must have a valid NTC dealer's permit for Radio Transmitter/Tranceiver/WDN Equipment - The seller must have at least one licensed Electronics and Communications Engineer OFFER: SEE ATTACHED DATA BILL OF MATERIALS (BOM) SEE ATTACHED UIS SOFTWARE SPECIFICATION SEE ATTACHED DATA SHEET NOT COMPLY SEE ATTACHED SCOPE OF WORK (SOW) SEE ATTACHED HELPDESK 24.7 DOCUMENT SEE ATTACHED CERTIFICATES SEE ATTACHED NTC DEALER'S PERMIT SEE ATTACHED PRC LICENSE B.3 HYPERCONVERGED RISK DISASTER SITE - Php.3,574,700.00 1 Lot 'Specifications: One (1) set Application Server: Chassis Type: 2.5" drive bay chassis Drive Bays: Supports up to 10 NVMe drives PCIe Slots: 3 PCIe slots for expansion		
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Rack Unit (RU): 1U Bezel V2 (rack-mountable) Two (2) Processors (CPU) (Specifications per CPU): Clock Speed: at least 2.8 GHz (Base) Cores / Threads: 24 Cores / 48 Threads per processor Cache: at least 36M L3 cache TDP (Thermal Design Power): 230W Architecture: Intel 11.2GT/s UPI (Ultra Path Interconnect) Hyper-Threading enabled Turbo Boost: up to higher speeds under load Memory Support: DDR4-3200 Memory (RAM): Memory Type: Registered DIMM (RDIMM) Speed: 3200 MT/s Capacity: 64GB (Expandable) Ranks: Dual Rank DRAM Density: 16Gb Storage Capacity: At least 400GB NVMe SSD (3D Xpoint memory) Interface: U.2 Gen 4 Read/Write Optimization: Write Intensive (WI) Performance Class: Enterprise-grade, high-speed, low-latency RecoverPoint for VMs (HCIA) License: HCIA RecoverPoint for VMware for 1 node Version: 7.0.450 (Factory Installed) Support & Maintenance Support for RecoverPoint for VMs		
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**Mission Critical Support
 for at least 48 months (4
 years)
 Software Updates &
 Troubleshooting included
 Additional Features
 No Transformational
 License Agreement**

OFFER:

**Provided 2 nodes of application
 and 2 nodes of data nodes this will
 serve as the production and the
 DR of the infrastructure. The Set
 up will be one (1) application node
 and one (1) data node will be in
 the production and the same with
 the DR site**

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Intel Xeon Gold 5520+

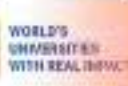
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**B.4 VIRTUALIZATION SOFTWARE -
 Php.1,825,300.00**

Note: Bidders Eligibility

- 1. The bidder must have an
 8x5 support service (8
 hours a day, 5 days a week)
 with online ticketing
 system for proper tracking
 of issues and concerns**
- 2. The bidder must have
 qualified Technical Support
 Engineers**
- 3. The bidder must have at
 least one (1) qualified
 technical professional (e.g.,
 ECE) or equivalent
 professional responsible for
 system deployment and
 network-related
 components.**

**The bidder must have a
 valid NTC dealer's permit
 for telecommunications
 or network equipment if
 applicable to supplied
 equipment. Subscription
 End Point Protection
 Number of Licenses: 720
 Endpoints
 Support Mission Critical
 Software Support and**



Maintenance at least 48 months NOTE: .With Free Additional Services: Installation, Configuration, and Integration Deployment and Implementation User Training (covering administrators and end-users) Two (2) Years of Managed Services, including: Regular system, monitoring and maintenance, Performance optimization, Troubleshooting and issue resolution Number of Current Servers: 8 Units Specifications: -RAM: 32GB/64GB -Processor: Xeon Gold Number of Disaster Recovery Servers: 1 server DELIVERY PERIOD: 60 CALENDAR DAYS		
TOTAL CONTRACT PRICE	Php35,082,479.00	Thirty-Five Million Eighty-Two Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Pesos

You are hereby required to provide, within ten (10) days from receipt hereof, the Performance Security/ Performance Bond equivalent to the following;

Form of Performance Security	Amount of Performance Security (Equal to Percentage of the Total Contract Price)
a) Cash or cashier's/manager's check issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank.	Five percent (5%)





b) Bank draft/ guarantee or irrevocable letter of credit issued by a Universal or Commercial Bank: Provided, however, that it shall be confirmed or authenticated by a Universal or Commercial Bank, if issued by a foreign bank	Five percent (5%)
c) Surety bond callable upon demand issued by a surety or insurance company duly certified by the insurance Commission as authorized to issue such security.	Thirty percent (30%)
d) Any combination of the foregoing.	Proportionate to share of form with respect to total amount of security

Failure to provide the Performance Security shall constitute sufficient ground for the cancellation of the award and forfeiture of the Bid Security.

Very truly yours,

MA. CARLA A. OCHOTORENA, RN., Ph.D.
President

Received by: Elda Madera Balmocena
(Signature Over Printed Name)

Date: August 11, 2026