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Supplier Portal – Respond to a Negotiation

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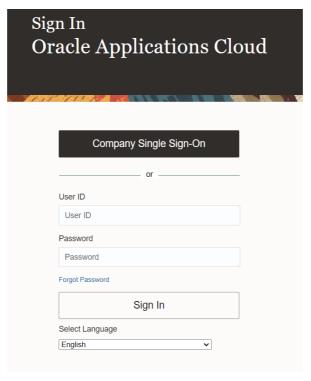
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Portal Login

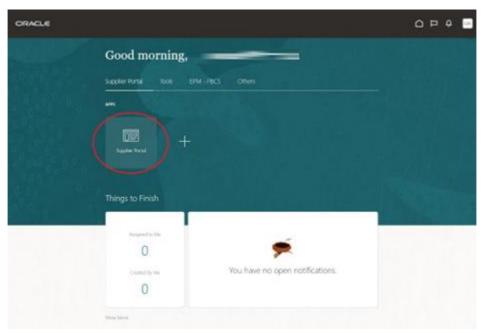
- 1. Open UniCore using this link
- 2. Enter the email address and password used to create your Supplier Portal account and click 'Sign In'.



- 3. If you are an existing supplier and you do not know your password:
 - Click 'Forgot password', enter your email address, select 'forgot password', then click 'Submit'. You will receive a password reset email.
 - Remember to check your junk mail/spam folder for the email. If you do not receive it, contact <u>procurement@nottingham.ac.uk</u>

View Active Negotiations

1. Scroll to the 'Supplier Portal' menu option and click the 'Supplier Portal' tile.



2. Click on 'View Active Negotiations' link, under the Tasks panel.



3. Use the search fields to find relevant Negotiations, then click 'Search' (** a value must be provided for at least one of the indicated fields)



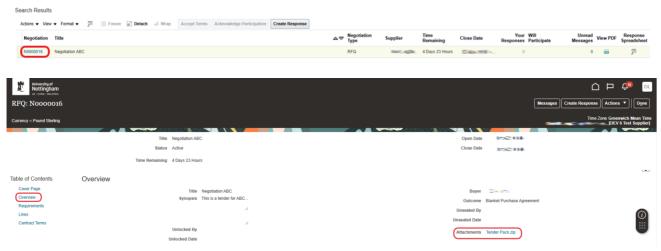
4. To search for Active Negotiations where you have not received a direct invitation (i.e. an 'Open' opportunity), select 'No' under the 'Invitation Received' search field, then click 'Search'.

- 5. To search for Active Negotiations where you have received a direct invitation (i.e. an 'Open' or 'Closed' opportunity), select 'Yes' under the 'Invitation Received' search field, then click 'Search'.
- 6. The Search Results will display accordingly.



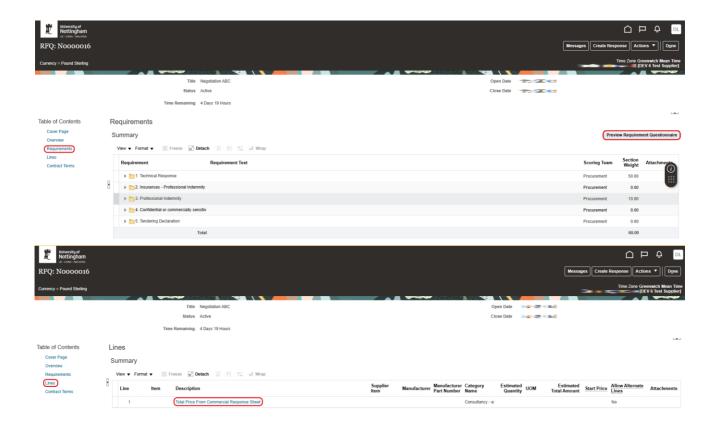
Reviewing the Negotiation

1. Select the Negotiation number hyperlink



- 2. Review the Table of Contents:
 - Cover Page review the information specified on the Cover Page.
 - Overview click 'Overview' then review the information and download all negotiation Attachments.
 - Requirements click 'Requirements', then 'Preview Requirement Questionnaire' to review the questions associated with the negotiation, e.g. the Standard Selection Questionnaire, method statement questions etc. Please note: questions or other required information may be posed in other formats, for example through the submission of a tender response word document or commercial response

spreadsheet. Please refer to the Cover Page or Attachments in the Overview sections for specific response requirements for each negotiation.

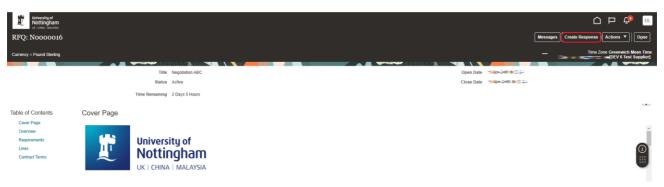


- Lines click 'Lines' then review the description of the Lines. Lines are descriptions of the items and services which are being procured, in which you will enter your price against. Please note: you may be required to enter prices against a quantity of specific items and/or services or as a total price calculated from a scenario from a commercial response spreadsheet. Please refer to the Cover Page or Attachments in the Overview sections for specific response requirements for each negotiation.
- Contract Terms click 'Contract Terms' to view the Terms and Conditions that will be applicable to the resulting contract from the negotiation.



Responding to a Negotiation

1. Click 'Create Response'.



- 2. Navigate and complete the following 4 stages:
 - o Stage 1: Overview You may optionally enter a 'Reference Number' for your

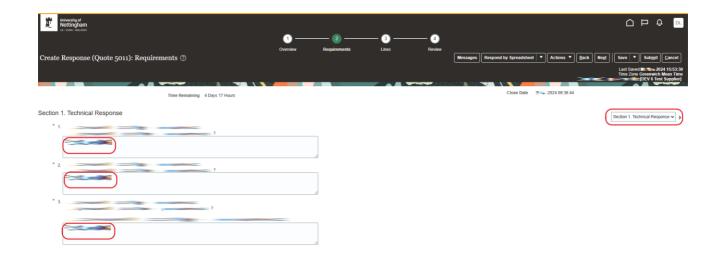


internal tracking only, a 'Response Valid Until'* and a 'Note to Buyer'**. Upload any supporting documents (where requested) using the Attachments '+'.

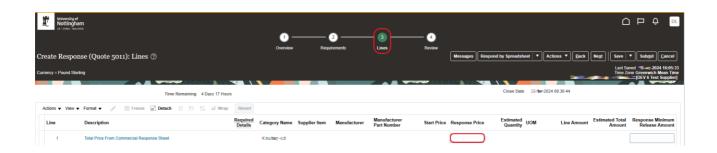
*The Cover Page or negotiation Attachments will specify an 'Offer to remain valid' period. If you specify a 'Response Valid Until' date, whichever period or date is later will apply.

**Any 'Note to Buyer' will not be considered part of your response. Any notice or communication from any person in connection with negotiation shall be sent via the process detailed in the section 'Oracle Fusion Supplier Portal' within the Cover Page or relevant Attachment.

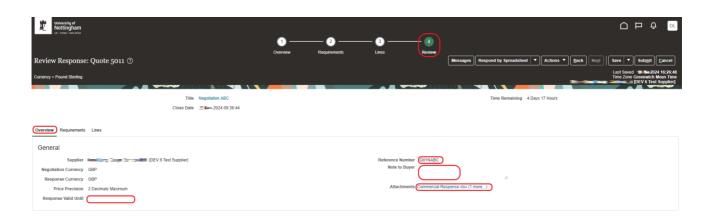
 Stage 2: Requirements – Click '2 - Requirements' and complete all questions in each section. Navigate through each section using the dropdown section menu on the top and bottom righthand side of the page.



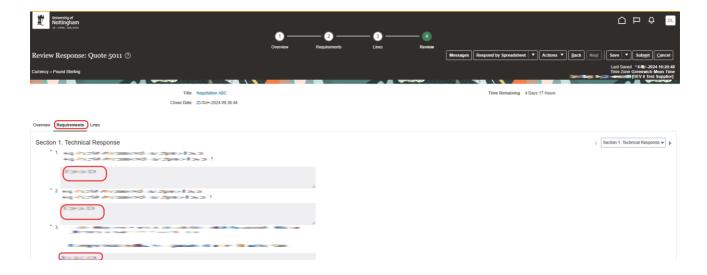
Stage 3: Lines – Click '3 - Lines' and enter a 'Response Price'.



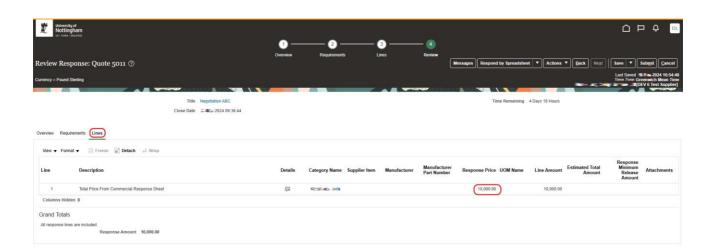
- Stage 4: Review click '4 Review' and review information entered for each stage:
 - Overview click 'Overview' and review 'Response Valid Until', 'Reference Number', 'Note to Buyer' and 'Attachments'.



 Requirements – click 'Requirements' and review responses submitted to each question.



Lines – click 'Lines' and review 'Response Price'.



3. Click 'Actions' then 'Validate' to check for any errors (e.g. all mandatory requirements (questions) have been responded to and where required, attachments have been added to specific requirements).

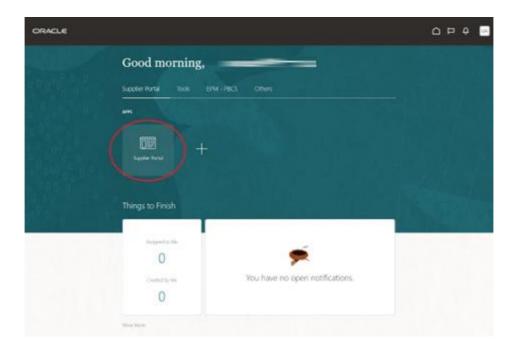


4. Click 'Submit' to submit your response.



Manage Responses

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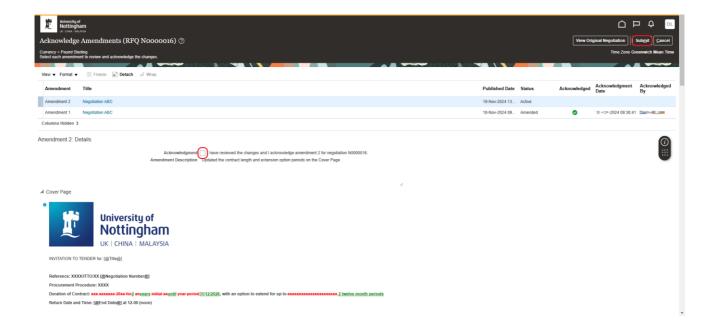
Negotiations

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- Manage Responses
- 3. Use the search fields to find relevant Negotiation Responses, then click 'Search' (** a value must be provided for at least one of the indicated fields).
- 4. Use the 'Response Status' to manage the following responses:
 - Active, Draft, Active or Draft if you are currently participating in a negotiation or are in the process of preparing a response for a negotiation.
 - Click the negotiation number link to see details about the negotiation.
 - Click the response number link of an active response to see details of your current response.
 - Click the response number link of a draft response to continue editing the draft.
 - Awarded if you have been successful following a negotiation
 - Click the negotiation number link to see details about the negotiation.
 - Click the response number link to see details of your response.
 - Disqualified if you have been disqualified from participating in a negotiation
 - Click the negotiation number link to see details about the negotiation.
 - Click the response number link to see details of your response.
 - Pending Award if you have submitted a response to a negotiation which is in the evaluation stage and has not been awarded or rejected.
 - Click the negotiation number link to see details about the negotiation.
 - Click the response number link to see details of your response.
 - Rejected if you have been unsuccessful following a negotiation
 - Click the negotiation number link to see details about the negotiation.
 - Click the response number link to see details of your response.
 - Resubmission Required if you have submitted a response before an amendment was made to the negotiation by the Buyer.

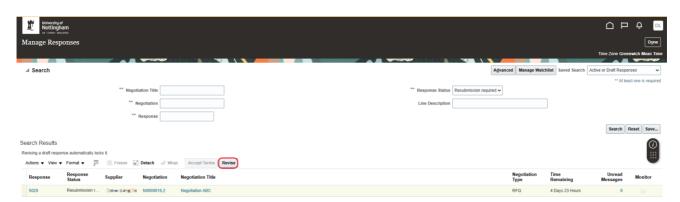
- Click the negotiation number link to view the original negotiation and its updates. Please note: to be considered for an award decision, you must acknowledge you have viewed the amendment(s) and submit a new response.
- Click 'Actions' > 'Respond' > 'Acknowledge Amendments'



- Review the 'Amendment Description' and any amended areas then click the 'Acknowledgement' box to confirm you have reviewed the changes.
- Click 'Submit'



On the 'Manage Responses' page click 'Revise'



- 5. Revise your response based on the amendments made to the negotiation, then click 'Submit' to submit your response.
- 6. Your response will now be an 'Active' response.

Please note: amended version of a negotiation will be suffixed with an incremental counter (e.g. N000001,1; N000001,2; N000001,3 etc).