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#### Tender

# Jobs Growth Wales+ Youth Programme Framework Agreement ("JGW+ Programme")

Welsh Government

F02: Contract notice Notice identifier: 2021/S 000-000448 Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-028914 Published 11 January 2021, 10:16am

# Section I: Contracting authority

# I.1) Name and addresses

Welsh Government

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Email

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#### Telephone

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKL - WALES

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://wales.gov.uk/?skip=1&lang=en

Buyer's address

https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007

# I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

# I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml

# I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

# I.5) Main activity

General public services

# Section II: Object

# II.1) Scope of the procurement

# II.1.1) Title

Jobs Growth Wales+ Youth Programme Framework Agreement ("JGW+ Programme")

Reference number

F033/2020/2021

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80300000 - Higher education services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Welsh Government will shortly be commencing a procurement exercise for the delivery of the Jobs Growth Wales+ Youth Programme Framework Agreement ("JGW+ Programme") to provide support to young people who are not in education, employment or training.

Through individualised support the JGW+ Programme will equip young people aged 16 to 18 years with skills, qualifications, work experience and subsidised work to enable them to progress to learning at a higher level, an apprenticeship or into sustained employment at the earliest opportunity.

The JGW+ Programme will commence on 1 March 2022 and run for 4 years until March 2026 (with the option of an extension of up to 2 additional years).

The JGW+ Programme will be procured under the light touch regime, implemented through regulations 74 - 77 as applied to Schedule 3 services of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR 2015) using a quasi-open procedure.

Please be advised that costs are fixed as set out in the Programme Specification, as such, there is no Commercial evaluation element to this tender.

# II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £200,000,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

# **II.2) Description**

#### II.2.1) Title

South Central Wales

Lot No

3

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 Higher education services
- 80310000 Youth education services
- 80500000 Training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Bridgend, Cardiff, Merthyr Tydfil, Rhondda Cynon Taf, Vale of Glamorgan.

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The JGW+ Programme will commence on 1 March 2022 and run for 4 years until March

2026 (with the option of an extension of up to 2 additional years).

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

49

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend the Agreement by up to an additional 2 (two) years on a 1 (one) year plus 1 (one) year basis if applicable subject to confirmation from the Client of budget availability and service requirements and subject to the successful Bidder meeting the requirements of the JGW+ Programme Specification.

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

Contractors will need to be aware of current and emerging Welsh Government policy and commit to a flexible approach that is capable of responding to changing Ministerial priorities and labour market requirements. From time to time there may be a requirement to deliver new services aimed at supporting young people. Changes to the Programme Specification will be implemented in accordance with paragraphs A27. to A35. of the JGW+ Programme Specification and must be instructed in accordance with the process set out at Schedule 2 of the Framework Agreement. For the absolute avoidance of doubt, no variation or additional work in relation to the JGW+ Programme will amount to a modification of the overall nature of the JGW+ Framework Agreement.

#### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

80722 West Wales & Valley and 80723 East Wales

#### II.2.14) Additional information

The estimated total framework value is between 100m - 200m GBP. Details of how the first year allocations are intended to be divided by the 4 Regional Lots is included within the Funding Allocation Methodology at Annex 1 in the JGW+ Programme Specification.

# **II.2) Description**

II.2.1) Title

South East Wales

Lot No

4

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 Higher education services
- 80310000 Youth education services
- 80500000 Training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Blaenau Gwent, Caerphilly, Monmouthshire, Newport, Torfaen.

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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The JGW+ Programme will commence on 1 March 2022 and run for 4 years until March 2026 (with the option of an extension of up to 2 additional years).

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

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#### II.2.7) Duration of the contract, framework agreement or dynamic purchasing system

Duration in months

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This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

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#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

Contractors will need to be aware of current and emerging Welsh Government policy and commit to a flexible approach that is capable of responding to changing Ministerial priorities and labour market requirements. From time to time there may be a requirement to deliver new services aimed at supporting young people. Changes to the Programme Specification will be implemented in accordance with paragraphs A27. to A35. of the

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#### II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

80722 West Wales & Valley and 80723 East Wales

#### II.2.14) Additional information

The estimated total framework value is between 100m - 200m GBP. Details of how the first year allocations are intended to be divided by the 4 Regional Lots is included within the Funding Allocation Methodology at Annex 1 in the JGW+ Programme Specification.

# **II.2) Description**

II.2.1) Title

North Wales

Lot No

1

#### II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 Higher education services
- 80310000 Youth education services
- 80500000 Training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Conwy, Denbighshire, Flintshire, Gwynedd, Isle of Anglesey, Wrexham.

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.5) Award criteria

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#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

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# II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: Yes

Identification of the project

80722 West Wales & Valley and 80723 East Wales

#### II.2.14) Additional information

The estimated total framework value is between 100m GBP - 200m GBP. Details of how the first year allocations are intended to be divided by the 4 Regional Lots is included within the Funding Allocation Methodology at Annex 1 in the JGW+ Programme Specification.

# **II.2) Description**

II.2.1) Title

South West and Mid Wales

Lot No

2

# II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80300000 Higher education services
- 80310000 Youth education services
- 80500000 Training services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UKL - WALES

Main site or place of performance

Carmarthenshire, Neath Port Talbot, Pembrokeshire, Swansea, Ceredigion, Powys.

#### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### II.2.11) Information about options

**Options: Yes** 

Description of options

Contractors will need to be aware of current and emerging Welsh Government policy and commit to a flexible approach that is capable of responding to changing Ministerial priorities and labour market requirements. From time to time there may be a requirement to deliver new services aimed at supporting young people. Changes to the Programme Specification will be implemented in accordance with paragraphs A27. to A35. of the JGW+ Programme Specification and must be instructed in accordance with the process set out at Schedule 2 of the Framework Agreement. For the absolute avoidance of doubt, no variation or additional work in relation to the JGW+ Programme will amount to a modification of the overall nature of the JGW+ Framework Agreement.

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#### II.2.14) Additional information

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# Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

# III.1) Conditions for participation

# III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

As stated in the procurement documents.

#### III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

# III.2) Conditions related to the contract

#### III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

As stated in the procurement documents.

# **Section IV. Procedure**

# **IV.1)** Description

#### IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Open procedure

# IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 12

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

Adopting a 4 year fixed term framework agreement with the ability to extend for a further 2 years up to a maximum term of 6 years should provide Welsh Government with the opportunity to limit the number of displaced young people that may arise if the procurement process had to be repeated more regularly.

#### IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

# IV.2) Administrative information

#### IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: <u>2020/S 217-533978</u>

#### IV.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

1 March 2021

Local time

2:00pm

#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English, Welsh

#### IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

1 March 2021

Local time

2:00pm

# Section VI. Complementary information

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

Estimated timing for further notices to be published: 4 to 6 years

# VI.3) Additional information

The opportunity will be issued under the provisions of the light touch regime, implemented through regulations 74 - 77 as applied to Schedule 3 services of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (PCR 2015) for the procurement of the Jobs Growth Wales+ Youth Programme Framework Agreement ("JGW+ Programme").

E-Tender Information:

#### https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk

- The first person from your Organisation to use the Platform will be required to register on behalf of the Organisation.

- Registration involves accepting a User Agreement, and providing basic information about your Organisation and about the User performing the Registration.

- The User who performs the Registration becomes the Super User for the Organisation.

- On registering on the Platform the Super User will select a Username and will receive a password.

- The Password will be sent by e-mail to the email address that was specified in the User Details section of the Registration page.

- In order to log-in to the Platform please enter your Username and Password.

- Note: If you forget your Password then visit the homepage and click "Forgot your password?"

- Registration should only be performed once for each Organisation.

- If you think that someone in your Organisation may have already registered on this Platform then you must not register again.

- Please contact the person who Registered (i.e. the Super User) in order to arrange access to the Platform.

- Contact the Helpdesk immediately if you are unable to contact the Super User (for example if they have left your Organisation).

- Note: If your Organisation is already registered on the Platform then you must not make any additional registration. Please contact the Helpdesk to gain access to the Platform.

- Tenders must be uploaded to the BravoSolution portal by 2pm

How To Find The ITT:

- Once logged in you must click on 'ITT's Open to all Suppliers'

- The e-tender references for this contract are: project\_45824, Qualification itt 84443, Lot 1 itt 85339, Lot 2 itt 85361, Lot 3 itt 85362, Lot 4 itt 85362.

- Click on the title to access summary details of the contract. If you are still interested in submitting a tender, click the 'Express an Interest button'. This will move the ITT from the 'Open to all Suppliers' area to the 'My ITT's' on the home page.

- You will then see the full details of the ITT in the qualification and technical envelopes along with any relevant documents in the 'Attachments' area.

- Should you have any questions on the ITT, please use the 'Messages' area to contact the buyer directly

- Please do not contact the named person at the top of this notice.

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at <a href="https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\_switch.aspx?ID=105665">https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\_switch.aspx?ID=105665</a>

Under the terms of this contract the successful supplier(s) will be required to deliver Community Benefits in support of the authority's economic and social objectives. Accordingly, contract performance conditions may relate in particular to social and environmental considerations. The Community Benefits included in this contract are:

Community benefits will be required and included as non core, further information is included in the procurement documents.

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The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

# VI.4) Procedures for review

# VI.4.1) Review body

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