This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/000794-2025

Tender

Land Based Apprenticeships

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-000794

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04ceed

Published 10 January 2025, 10:47am

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

Monteith House, 11 George Square

Glasgow

G2 1DY

Email

procurement@sds.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1698688824

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Buyer's address

 $\underline{https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA1286}\\2$

I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Non Departmental Public Body

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Land Based Apprenticeships

Reference number

P24-040

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,400,215

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 of Scotland

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 Education and training services
- 03000000 Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

· UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots and Lot 1 is for the South of Scotland

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the South of Scotland. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 102,500 and GBP 127,000 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lowlands and Uplands

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 Education and training services
- 03000000 Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this contract notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots. Lot 2 is Lowlands and Uplands

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the Lowlands and Uplands. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 216,600 and GBP 270,860 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Highlands and Islands

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

• 03000000 - Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

· UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this contract notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots. This lot is for Highlands and Islands

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

II.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the Highlands and Islands. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 35,200 and GBP 44,000 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.4) Objective rules and criteria for participation

List and brief description of rules and criteria

Further information can be found within the Invitation to Tender document as well as the online Single Procurement Document (SPD) module

III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

Further information can be found within the Invitation to Tender document as well as the online Single Procurement Document (SPD) module

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

The scope of services to be provided under this contract falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall in accordance with Regulation 74 of the

Regulation be subject to the requirement of Section 7 of the Regulations. By virtue of regulation 76(3) of the regulations, bidders in any of the situations listed in regulation 58 of the Regulation may be excluded.

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

10 February 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

Award Criteria

Quality - 60%, Price - 40%

Quality Criteria

- 1. Programme Delivery 70%
- 2. Sustainability 10%
- 3. Equalities 10%
- 4. Fair Work First 10%
- 5. Prompt Payment Pass/Fail
- 6. Living Wage Information Only
- 7. Data Storage Information Only

Programme Delivery Sub Criteria

- 1A Bidder skills and knowledge 30%
- 1B Understanding of progression routes and working relationships with employers 20%
- 1C Marketing activity/stakeholder engagement 10%
- 1D Training/Employability environments/progression 20%
- 1E Learning Plan 10%
- 1F Support for participants 10%

Further information can be found within the documents attached to this contract notice

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search Switch.aspx?ID=787118.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

(SC Ref:787118)

Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=787118

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Sheriff Clerk's Office

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

Email

procurement@sds.co.uk

Telephone

+44 1414185248

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

Skills Development Scotland

Monteith House, First Floor, 11 George Square

Glasgow

G2 1DY

Email

procurement@sds.co.uk Telephone +44 1414291999 Country **United Kingdom** Internet address https://skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained The Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited Monteith House, First Floor, 11 George Square Glasgow G2 1DY Email procurement@sds.co.uk Telephone +44 1414291999 Country **United Kingdom** Internet address https://skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk