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Contract

Award of Framework Agreement for the provision of Initial Teacher Training and Early Career Framework (ITTECF)-Based Training

Department for Education

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-000832

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040c92

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Education

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London

SW1P 3BT

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Telephone

+44 3700002288

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/department-for-education>

Buyer's address

<https://education.app.jaggaer.com/web/login.html>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Award of Framework Agreement for the provision of Initial Teacher Training and Early Career Framework (ITTECF)-Based Training

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 800000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This Award Notice is to confirm that the Department for Education has awarded the Framework Agreement for the provision of Initial Teacher Training and Early Career Framework (ITTECF)-Based Training. Four Suppliers have appointed to the Framework

Agreement.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £250,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 800000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

England

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Framework Agreement will be used to call off the Services of the Lead Providers. The specific nature of the Services will be subject to the needs of each Call off Order, but in general the Suppliers will be responsible for the supply of Deliverables, being:

Set Up Activity:

- i. Delivery of all Programme Set Up activity, including the development of Training Content, and meeting of associated Milestones; and
- ii. Delivery of the Digital Set Up and meeting of associated Milestones.

Delivery of Cohorts:

- iii. Targeting of Participants and Mentors and meeting the recruitment targets set out in Table 12 of the Specification
- iv. Management of relationships with Schools and other stakeholders;

- v. comply and collaborate with the QA Function and respond to feedback, as part of continuous improvement;
 - vi. collaborate and comply with the requirement's Department's Supplier Relationship Management Function and provide Management information
 - vii. be part of the Lead Provider Community;
 - viii. manage Subcontractors, report on performance and providing Management Information;
 - ix. check and confirm Participant eligibility for Department funding;
 - x. notify the Department of any withdrawals, deferrals and deferral restarts; and
 - xi. deliver the Supplier's Social Value Plan
- see Schedule 2 (Specification) for full details.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 80

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 20

Price - Weighting: 100

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: No

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

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

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

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: [2023/S 000-030556](#)

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

13 December 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 10

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 10

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Ambition Institute

Unit 2, 156 Bridge Wharf, London, N1 9UU

London

N1 9UU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £250,000,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £250,000,000

V.2.5) Information about subcontracting

The contract is likely to be subcontracted

Short description of the part of the contract to be subcontracted

Subject to the nature of individual Call Off Contracts but includes delivery of training

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Education Development Trust

Highbridge House, 16-18 Duke Street, Reading, England, RG1 4RU

Reading

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

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Teach First

6 Mitre Passage

London

SE10 0ER

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

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UCL Consultants Ltd

90 Tottenham Court Road

London

W1T 4TJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The services that are the subject of this procurement are governed by the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (the "Regulations") Chapter 3, Section 7 (Social and other specific services); the so called "Light Touch Regime". The Department managed this Procurement as an open tendering procedure as set out and described in the Procurement Documents. The Authority is only bound by the application of the Regulations to the extent that they are applicable to Schedule 3 services.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

Royal Court of Justices, The Strand

London

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The Department incorporated a voluntary minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at

the point information on the award of the Framework Agreement was communicated to Potential Suppliers.

Potential Suppliers who were unsuccessful were informed by the Department as soon as possible after the decision had been made as to the reasons why they were unsuccessful. If any clarification regarding the award of the Framework Agreement had not been successfully resolved, The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the rules to take legal action. The deadlines associated with undertaking such action is outlined in the Regulations.

Any such action must be brought within the applicable limitation period. Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order the Authority to amend any document and may award damages.

If a contract has been entered into the Court may, depending on the circumstances, award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order the Department to pay a fine, and/or order that the duration of the contract be shortened. The purpose of the voluntary standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the Framework Agreement is entered into.

VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

Please refer to the Regulations

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Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.judiciary.uk/courts-and-tribunals/high-court/technology-and-construction-court/>