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## **900\_22 Water Cooler Solutions**

ESPO

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-030f54

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

ESPO

Barnsdale Way, Grove Park, Enderby

Leicester

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#### **Contact**

Food, Communities and Technology Procurement Team

#### **Email**

[tenders@espo.org](mailto:tenders@espo.org)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UKF21 - Leicester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.espo.org/>

**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://www.eastmidstenders.org/>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Local Authority Services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

900\_22 Water Cooler Solutions

Reference number

900\_22 (ProContract internal Ref. DN592897)

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 31141000 - Water coolers

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Please note this is a Prior Information Notice and the tender documentation is not available yet.

ESPO is seeking to renew its Water Cooler solutions framework. It is anticipated that the opportunity will be live in February.

To express an interest: (a) Go to <https://www.eastmidstenders.org/>; (b) Register (if not already registered on ProContract); (c) Search for tender opportunity '900\_22' (via "View Opportunities from the 'EastMidsTenders' Portal"); d) Express an interest.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £4,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 18925000 - Water-bottle holders and holsters

- 39370000 - Water installations

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

We intend to establish a multi-supplier framework for the supply of both plumbed-in and bottled Water Coolers. The framework will also cover associated services such as maintenance / sanitisation and consumables such as water bottles and cups.

### **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

4 February 2022

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

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## Section VI. Complementary information

### VI.3) Additional information

As a Central Purchasing Body as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015, the Framework Agreement is open for use by Public Bodies (defined at <https://www.espo.org/amfile/file/download/file/9608/>) that also fall into one of the following classifications of user throughout all administrative regions of the UK: Local Authorities; Educational Establishments (including Academies); Central Government Departments and Agencies; Police, Fire & Rescue and Coastguard Emergency Services; NHS and HSC Bodies, including Ambulance Services; Registered Charities; Registered Social Landlords; The Corporate Office of the House of Lords, The Corporate Officer of the House of Commons; or any public body established by or under the Scotland Act 1998 or any Act of the Scottish Parliament. Details of the classification of end user establishments and geographical areas are available at: <https://www.espo.org/legal>

ESPO has established a commercial trading company, ESPO Trading Limited, whose target clients are third sector organisations such as national and local charities, public sector mutual organisations and other organisations involved in the delivery of services to or for the public sector. The successful Supplier may be asked to enter into an additional separate framework agreement (the Second Framework) with ESPO Trading Limited on materially similar terms to that found in the tender pack to be entered into by ESPO itself.

Any Second Framework agreement will be a purely commercial agreement and will, for the avoidance of doubt, not be governed by the Public Contract Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. ESPO Trading Limited may enter into the second framework agreement with the successful supplier and make it available to third sector clients who themselves are not required to follow the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 or other public procurement legislation. Accordingly, this is provided for bidders' information only.

An eAuction process may be used to award subsequent call off contracts following the reopening of competition among the parties to the Framework Agreement.