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Tender

## **Contract for an employer broker service for the Office for Students Postgraduate Conversion Course Programme**

Office for Students

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-004198

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-031702

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

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

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United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.officeforstudents.org.uk>

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Bristol:-Business-services:-law%2C-marketing%2C-consulting%2C-recruitment%2C-printing-and-security./PM8UP78979>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Contract for an employer broker service for the Office for Students Postgraduate Conversion Course Programme

Reference number

PRN1789

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

- 79000000 - Business services: law, marketing, consulting, recruitment, printing and security

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

Services

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

In support of the National AI Strategy an additional 2,000 AI and Data Science conversion courses scholarships are to be delivered from 2023 to 2025. The Office for AI (OAI) and Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) are developing the programme model to deliver these additional scholarships. The Government wants companies across the country to be a part of this AI scholarship programme through matched funding support between government and industry. The successful bidder for this tender will primarily be responsible for brokering relationships between universities and employer to stimulate investment into the conversion course scholarships.

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

Value excluding VAT: £108,333

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKK1 - Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

Main site or place of performance

Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area

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

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Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) are developing the programme model to deliver these additional scholarships. The Government wants companies across the country to be a part of this AI scholarship programme through matched funding support between government and industry. The successful bidder for this tender will primarily be responsible for brokering relationships between universities and employer to stimulate investment into the conversion course scholarships.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

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

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £108,000

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

#### **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

#### **II.2.14) Additional information**

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

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

Date

16 March 2022

Local time

4:00pm

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

English

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

Date

16 March 2022

Local time

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The contracting authority considers that this contract may be suitable for economic operators that are small or medium enterprises (SMEs). However, any selection of tenderers will be based solely on the criteria set out for the procurement.

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### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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**VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures**

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