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Tender

NOS Database Hosting and Maintenance

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04e436

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12862

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

NOS Database Hosting and Maintenance

Reference number

P24-022

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72222300 - Information technology services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Skills Development Scotland has a multi-lot requirement to procure a supplier to host the UK National Occupational Standards system which is an Umbraco website currently hosted on an Azure application service. Skills Development Scotland also has a requirement to procure a supplier to provide technical support and maintenance services for the UK National Occupational Standards system, including the website, database and associated components.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £300,000

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

Lot 1 NOS Website and Database Hosting

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72222300 - Information technology services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure a supplier to host the UK National Occupational Standards (NOS) system which is an Umbraco website currently hosted on an Azure application service.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Meets Specification of Requirements / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology and Approach / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Continuous Improvement / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Change and Risk Management / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Cyber Security / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Added Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Prompt Payment in the Supply Chain / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £112,500

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

Start date

1 June 2025

End date

31 May 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

This contract can be extended for up to 12 months at the sole discretion of Skills Development Scotland

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

This Lot is for - Lot 1 NOS Website and Database Hosting. The estimated value for this lot is 112500 GBP for the duration of the contract including any applicable extension periods

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 - NOS Website and Database Maintenance and Support

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72222300 - Information technology services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of the tendered services covers providing SDS with on-going support and maintenance for the NOS system and database. Skills Development Scotland may require the successful supplier to undertake development work to improve the functionality of the database.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Meets Specification of Requirements / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Quality criterion - Name: Methodology and Approach / Weighting: 50

Quality criterion - Name: Continuous Improvement / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Change and Risk Management / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Cyber Security / Weighting: 10

Quality criterion - Name: Added Value / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Fair Work First / Weighting: 5

Quality criterion - Name: Prompt Payment in the Supply Chain / Weighting: Pass/Fail

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £187,500

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

Start date

1 June 2025

End date

31 May 2027

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract can be extended for up to 12 months at the sole discretion of Skills Development Scotland.

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

This Lot is for - Lot 2 NOS Website and Database Maintenance and Support. The estimated value for this lot is 187500 GBP for the duration of the contract including any applicable extension periods

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

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

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

List and brief description of selection criteria

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III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

List and brief description of selection criteria

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III.2) Conditions related to the contract

III.2.2) Contract performance conditions

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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

24 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

24 March 2025

Local time

12:00pm

Place

via Public Contracts Scotland

Information about authorised persons and opening procedure

SDS Procurement Team via Tender box

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

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

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

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=791126

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Sheriff Clerk's Office

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

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

The Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited

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<https://skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk>

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

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