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## **YPO - 001254 Primary and Secondary Science**

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

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

YPO

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Wakefield

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#### **Contact**

Lydia Hillman

#### **Email**

[lydia.hillman@ypo.co.uk](mailto:lydia.hillman@ypo.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UKE45 - Wakefield

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.ypo.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.ypo.co.uk/>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from 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**

YPO - 001254 Primary and Secondary Science

Reference number

001254

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

- 39162000 - Educational equipment

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

Supplies

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

YPO is one of the largest public sector buying organisations in the UK, purchasing on behalf of many other public sector organisations. YPO provides a professional procurement service that allows our public sector customers to enjoy cost and efficiency savings through our substantial bulk buying power and the convenience of our 'one stop shop'. Based in Wakefield, in close proximity to the M1 and M62 motorways, YPO is a large employer in the city and is governed by a joint committee of local authorities. YPO operates nationally supplying Schools, Colleges and Universities, in addition to all major Local Government departments including Social Services, Catering, Transport, Highways, Building Services, Administration and Waste Management as well as Emergency Service Authorities.

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

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

- 15994200 - Filter paper
- 31630000 - Magnets
- 33141310 - Syringes

- 33793000 - Laboratory glassware
- 38300000 - Measuring instruments
- 38437000 - Laboratory pipettes and accessories
- 38510000 - Microscopes
- 38622000 - Mirrors
- 42923000 - Weighing machinery and scales
- 42958000 - Weights for weighing machines

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

YPO are looking for Providers to be appointed onto a Framework Agreement for the supply of Primary and Secondary Science equipment, for use mainly in the school education market. The framework is designed to meet the needs of YPO by establishing an agreement for providers to deliver stock into YPO's distribution centre in Wakefield, West Yorkshire, but also a small number of higher value items on a direct basis whereby the end customer places the order with YPO and YPO places the order with the provider, but the provider delivers direct to the customer and invoices YPO. The Framework will cover period from September 2024 to August 2026 with an additional 2 x 12 month extension periods. The maximum contract period will therefore be 4 years (subject to annual review, incorporating price negotiations and KPI performance).

Please note due the recent changes in legislation and complexities associated with this, the tender will NOT include chemicals.

YPO are keen to engage with suppliers in the market to support the development of our tender for primary and secondary science and to help ensure the products are suitable and fit for purpose for our target customers. In particular, YPO would like to receive feedback from suppliers in respect of the following elements:

- The nature of the products required.
- Market trends
- Specification levels for our target customers

- Availability of products
- Recommended pack sizes
- Realistic order values
- Relevant Legislation and / or product restrictions

Please note, the above list is not exhaustive, and we welcome any feedback that will enable YPO build contract specification and requirements.

YPO are therefore looking for suppliers who would be interested in having a conversation with us. Please register your interest by contacting Lydia Hillman at [lydia.hillman@ypo.co.uk](mailto:lydia.hillman@ypo.co.uk) by 15/04/2024.

Please note that this information is being sought without prejudice and without commitment. Should YPO decide to take this project further, the completion of an RFI or any information provided to YPO by suppliers will not be part of that process nor will the information provided be used to determine the outcome of that process.

Should YPO wish to proceed with any supplier, a formal procurement process will be followed in accordance with YPO's contract procedures and relevant procurement regulations.

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

31 May 2024

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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

YPO are purchasing on the behalf of other contracting authorities. Please see the below link for details: <https://www.ypo.co.uk/about/customers/permisible-users> .

Please note that is a request for information to undertake pre-market engagement only and is being

sought without prejudice and without commitment. Any information provided will not be used to

determine the outcome of the tender process. When, or if, YPO wishes to proceed further a formal

procurement process will be followed in accordance with YPO's contract procedure rules and in line

with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. If you are interested in obtaining more information please

contact the named contact on this form by 15/04/2024.