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Tender

Stimulating the SME market for T levels

Department for Education

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Department for Education

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London

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Email

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Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

I.3) Communication

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

https://education.app.jaggaer.com

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

https://education.app.jaggaer.com

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

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

Stimulating the SME market for T levels

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

T Levels launched in September 2020, the programme will continue to grow over the next few years. SMEs (small and medium-sized enterprises) currently require additional support at this early stage to embed the programme as it grows. SMEs make up the largest proportion of the national economy and it is recognised that SMEs do not have the same infrastructure of larger employers. The DfE recognises there is a need for an extra layer of support to broker placements as part of a T Level placement.

Contractors will need to show how they intend to engage the SME market whilst they emerge from the Covid-19 pandemic, to increase their ability and willingness to offer placements.

In addition to brokering the relationship between the employer and provider, the contractor and learner must ensure that both parties agree learner objectives which are to be signed by the employer and provider.

This procurement is tendering for 4 National Lots as stated within the ITTs.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,242,125

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

Construction and the Built Environment

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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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: £672,750

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

Start date

8 June 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further year

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Business Operations

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This procurement is tendering for 4 National Lots as stated within the ITT.

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: £249,000

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

Start date

8 June 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further year

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Engineering & Manufacturing

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This procurement is tendering for 4 National Lots as stated within the ITT.

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: £533,625

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

Start date

8 June 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further year

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Digital

Lot No

4

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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This procurement is tendering for 4 National Lots as stated within the ITT.

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: £786,750

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

Start date

8 June 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for a further year

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

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

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

Date

3 May 2022

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

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

3 May 2022

Local time

9:00am

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Department for Education

London

Country

United Kingdom