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PRIOR INFORMATION NOTICE FOR RELAUNCH EVENT FOR THE ARMY APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMME (AAP) AND PROCUREMENT ACTION FOR TRANCHE 1 TRAINING PROVIDER CONTRACTS

Ministry of Defence

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=53758>

I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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<https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/guest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=53758>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

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II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Prior Information Notice (PIN) of the Department's intention to hold a programme Industry Relaunch and Briefing Event and to alert the market of the first planned procurements to place four (4) new Tranche One (1) contracts for delivery of apprenticeships under the AAP. The Army is one of the largest Employers of apprentices and operates as an Employer Provider with a mixed delivery model contracting out significant elements of Training and administration of the programme to Training Providers who are listed on the RoATP.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £98,200,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description**II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 80400000 - Adult and other education services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Provider with a mixed delivery model contracting out significant elements of Training and administration of the programme to Training Providers who are listed on the RoATP.

The AAP, having met its original contract placement strategy, wishes to hold an education and briefing session with prospective Training Providers who hold a current listing on RoATP to advise the programmes aims, generic delivery requirements going forward, timelines and how best to engage in the contracting process.

Timing: Tuesday 10 May 2022 – 10.30 to 12.30 hours

Location: The Lecture Theatre, Army HQ, Marlborough Lines, Andover, SP11 8 HJ

Joining Instructions: Email ArmyDev-Apprenticeship-Mailbox@mod.gov.uk with full name, organisation (max two names per organisation) and contact details by 3rd May to receive Instructions for attending the Event.

Notes:

a. This will be a face-to-face session and hence attendance is limited to two (2) persons per Training Provider. All presentational material and questions and answers will be captured and made available to attendees post event and to bidders for Tranche 1 contracts through DSP.

Interested parties are to note:

- The Relaunch Event is to allow the AAP Technical and Commercial teams an opportunity to update interested parties on the changes since the original programme began and introduce it to those Training Providers who may wish to work with the Department in the future.
- This PIN is also to alert the market to the future requirement under AAP Tranche One (1) and is NOT a formal request for Expressions of Interest (EOI). A Contract Notice and Dynamic PQQ will be issued in due course to request EOIs which shall reference this PIN.
- The Authority will be conducting the competition via the Defence Sourcing Portal (DSP).
- The Department anticipates commencing the procurement of the Tendering for the Tranche 1 requirement with the publication of a Contract Notice by August 2022. Under current plans, a competition for this requirement under the PCR 15 Restricted Procedure will be launched in late August 2022 with release of a Dynamic Pre-Qualification Questionnaire (DPQQ).

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 April 2022

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: No