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Planning

Engaging and re-engaging SMEs in the apprenticeship market

Department for Education

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Country

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NUTS code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

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

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

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Engaging and re-engaging SMEs in the apprenticeship market

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

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Employer (SME) landscape.

This focus on SMEs and the new starts created will increase the economic value of skills being supplied by the post 16 system, these improved skills will lead to increased productivity, social mobility and will support economic recovery.

The intention is to publish the tender opportunity in May 2022 via the DfE eTendering Portal URL: <https://education.app.jaggaer.com>. Please ensure that your organisation has an account registered on the Jaggaer portal to access the opportunity.

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The DfE will not be liable for any bid cost, expenditure, work or effort incurred by a provider in acting on the basis of this PIN.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £2,250,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot No

TBC

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.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

27 May 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: Yes