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Contract

## **Provision of End Point Assessment Services to Service Personnel Undertaking the Level 3 Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

Ministry of Defence

F03: Contract award notice

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

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

Ministry of Defence

Army Headquarters, Marlborough Lines, Monxton Road

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#### **Email**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.contracts.mod.uk](http://www.contracts.mod.uk)

**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Defence

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

Provision of End Point Assessment Services to Service Personnel Undertaking the Level 3 Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

This contract for a supplier to deliver End Point Assessment (EPA) services in connection with the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Army Apprenticeship Programme. EPAs will be delivered to service personnel of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME), Royal Marines (RM), Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) and Infantry undertaking a Level 3 (L3) Engineering Technician apprenticeship standard (ST0457).

**II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

**II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)**

Value excluding VAT: £3,289,150

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 80340000 - Special education services
- 80511000 - Staff training services
- 80521000 - Training programme services
- 80531100 - Industrial training services
- 80531200 - Technical training services
- 80570000 - Personal development training services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The appointed End Point Assessment Organisation (EPAO) will be responsible for delivering the following activities in connection with the apprenticeship standard:

- Assessment Design and Delivery
- Governance, Quality Assurance and Continual Improvement
- Communications with Stakeholders
- Learner Management
- Complaints, Appeals, Re-sits and Re-takes

Learner throughput for EPA in this contract is anticipated as approximately

558 over five years and it is expected that Occupation Competence

Validation Interviews (VIVAs) will take place online.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Quality criterion - Name: Commercial / Weighting: 30

Cost criterion - Name: Understanding the military context / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: Support to apprentices / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: EPAO staff / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: EPA delivery / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: Governance / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: Quality Assurance and Continual Improvement / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: D&I, Safeguarding and PREVENT / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: Communications with AAP Stakeholders / Weighting: 9

Cost criterion - Name: Communications with Apprentices & Analysis of Performance Data and Feedback to AAP Stakeholders / Weighting: 18

Cost criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

Two options to extend the contract in 12 month periods.

### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2023/S 000-032029](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

709012450

### **Title**

Provision of End Point Assessment Services to Service Personnel Undertaking the Level 3 Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

#### **V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract**

10 April 2024

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

**V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor**

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Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

**V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)**

Total value of the contract/lot: £3,289,150

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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

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