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Contract

Land Based Apprenticeships

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

F21: Social and other specific services – public contracts

Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-04ceed

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12862

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Non Departmental Public Body

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Land Based Apprenticeships

Reference number

P24-040

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,400,215

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

South of Scotland

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 800000000 - Education and training services
- 030000000 - Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots and Lot 1 is for the South of Scotland

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.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the South of Scotland. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 102,500 and GBP 127,000 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lowlands and Uplands

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 800000000 - Education and training services

- 030000000 - Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this contract notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots. Lot 2 is Lowlands and Uplands

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.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the Lowlands and Uplands. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 216,600 and GBP 270,860 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Highlands and Islands

Lot No

3

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 800000000 - Education and training services
- 030000000 - Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

Main site or place of performance

Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to procure suppliers for the delivery of Land Based Apprenticeships. Further information can be found in the documents alongside this contract notice. The procurement is split into 3 lots. This lot is for Highlands and Islands

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.2.14) Additional information

This lot is for the Highlands and Islands. The estimated value for this lot is between GBP 35,200 and GBP 44,000 inclusive of any applicable VAT. The contract will be in place for 12 months with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions at the sole discretion of SDS

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Form of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.11) Main features of the award procedure

The scope of services to be provided under this contract falls within the definition of social and other specific services in Schedule 3 to the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 ("the regulations") and therefore the procurement process shall in accordance with Regulation 74 of the

Regulation be subject to the requirement of Section 7 of the Regulations. By virtue of regulation 76(3) of the regulations, bidders in any of the situations listed in regulation 58 of the Regulation may be excluded.

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2025/S 000-000794](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

1

Title

South of Scotland

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lantra

Lantra Scotland, Inveralmond Business Centre, Auld Bond Road

Perth

PH1 3FX

Telephone

+44 1738479709

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM77 - Perth & Kinross and Stirling

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £96,083.35

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

2

Title

Lowlands and Uplands

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

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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: £222,738.68

Section V. Award of contract

Lot No

3

Title

Highlands and Islands

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

27 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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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: £34,939.40

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Please note that the overall budget for this contract including any optional extension periods is 1,400,215 GBP exclusive of VAT. The contract is being awarded for 1 year with the option to extend for 12 months on 2 separate occasions. The budget for this contract comes from Scottish Government therefore budgets for each optional extension will be confirmed annually

Award Criteria

Quality - 60%, Price - 40%

Quality Criteria

1. Programme Delivery - 70%
2. Sustainability - 10%
3. Equalities - 10%
4. Fair Work First - 10%
5. Prompt Payment - Pass/Fail
6. Living Wage - Information Only
7. Data Storage - Information Only

Programme Delivery Sub Criteria

- 1A Bidder skills and knowledge - 30%
- 1B Understanding of progression routes and working relationships with employers - 20%
- 1C Marketing activity/stakeholder engagement - 10%
- 1D Training/Employability environments/progression - 20%
- 1E Learning Plan - 10%
- 1F Support for participants 10%

Further information can be found within the documents attached to this contract notice

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Sheriff Clerk's Office

1 Carlton Place

Glasgow

G5 9DA

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procurement@sds.co.uk

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Internet address

<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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

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