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Tender

Supply Chain Transition Programme (UKSPF)

West Midlands Combined Authority

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

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Main address

<https://www.wmca.org.uk/>

I.3) Communication

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

<https://wmca.bravosolution.co.uk/go/3324698001902AFB2868>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Supply Chain Transition Programme (UKSPF)

Reference number

05871-2024

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) is commissioning a range of business support to address the region's economic priorities. The Supply Chain Transition Programme will be funded via the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (SPF) and will complement existing schemes available locally as well as nationally.

The Supply Chain Transition (SPF) Programme aims to help small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the West Midlands (WM), with ambitions to grow, to diversify their customer base by winning new orders in growing areas of the economy. It will do this through a combination of workshops, peer-to-peer support, and intensive one-to-one support, delivered in collaboration with organisations seeking to diversify their supplier base in the West Midlands.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £1,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

WMCA intend to award one contract to a Provider with a demonstrable track record of providing in-depth support to Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises (SMEs). The provider can be a single organisation or part of a consortium. If bidding as a consortium, a declaration must be made confirming all members of the consortium and their respective roles in delivery of the services and a lead organisation must be appointed to enter the contract with WMCA if successful.

This contract aims to deliver additional activity under the existing Supply Chain Transition (CWGLEF) Programme to help ambitious businesses in the West Midlands before the end of March 2025. The target audience that the programme aims to support are small and medium-sized enterprises (SME's) who are vulnerable to declining sectors and who are registered in the local authorities of Birmingham, Coventry, Dudley, Sandwell, Solihull, Walsall, or Wolverhampton, or with premises where over 75% of national activity takes place. The support will help businesses win new orders in the primary and nascent clusters specified in the Plan for Growth.

Specifically, the WMCA is seeking a provider to deliver this programme for businesses seeking to win new or more orders in one or more of the following supply chains:

- Manufacturing of electrical light vehicles and associated battery storage devices supply chain (including materials and components).
- Manufacture of future housing.
- Health-tech and med-tech.
- Smart Energy Systems.

The Supply Chain Transition (SPF) Programme must be designed in collaboration with a key customer, or customers, who may also be involved in the delivery of the support. Interested Providers must demonstrate relationships with key customers and how they will be involved in the programme. A "key customer" is an organisation already operating in the sectors listed above which spends or plans to spend a significant amount on goods and services in the UK.

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: £1,500,000

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

End date

31 March 2026

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The initial contract value for this requirement is between £600k-£750k (exc. VAT). The indicative contract duration is October 2024 until 31st March 2025 (6 months). The WMCA will also be incorporating an extension option into the contract of up to a further 12 months and up to an additional value of £750,000.

This means a total potential contract value of £1,500,000 over an 18-month period.

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.2.14) Additional information

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

Date

25 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

English

IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender

Duration in months: 6 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

25 July 2024

Local time

12:00pm

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

WMCA

Birmingham

Country

United Kingdom