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## **991\_22 – Supply of Early Years & Curriculum Product Ranges**

ESPO

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

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

ESPO

Barnsdale Way, Grove Park, Enderby

Leicester

LE19 1ES

#### **Contact**

Catalogue Procurement Team

#### **Email**

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**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKF21 - Leicester

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.espo.org/>

Buyer's address

<http://www.espo.org/>

**I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

[www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org)

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

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

Other activity

Local Authority Services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

991\_22 – Supply of Early Years & Curriculum Product Ranges

Reference number

991\_22

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 39162000 - Educational equipment

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Supplies

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

Framework for the supply of early learning and curriculum resources for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments.

To tender: (a) Go to [www.eastmidstenders.org](http://www.eastmidstenders.org), (b) Register (c) Search for tender opportunity '991\_22' d) Express an interest (e) Access and download the tender from the website.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £24,000,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

## **II.2) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Supply of Curriculum Product Ranges

Lot No

1

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

- 22110000 - Printed books
- 22114000 - Dictionaries, maps, music books and other books
- 22114100 - Dictionaries
- 22114200 - Atlases
- 22114300 - Maps
- 37523000 - Puzzles
- 37524000 - Games
- 37524100 - Educational games
- 39162000 - Educational equipment
- 39162100 - Teaching equipment
- 39162110 - Teaching supplies
- 39162200 - Training aids and devices

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of curriculum ranges for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments

### **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: £10,400,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Supply of Early Learning Product Ranges

Lot No

2

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

- 37000000 - Musical instruments, sport goods, games, toys, handicraft, art materials and accessories
- 37520000 - Toys
- 37521000 - Toy musical instruments
- 37522000 - Wheeled toys
- 37523000 - Puzzles
- 37524000 - Games
- 37524100 - Educational games
- 37527000 - Toy trains and vehicles
- 37529000 - Inflatable and riding toys
- 39162000 - Educational equipment
- 39162100 - Teaching equipment
- 39162110 - Teaching supplies
- 39162200 - Training aids and devices

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of early learning ranges for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments

### **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: £8,800,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Classroom Reward Products

Lot No

3

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

- 22459100 - Advertising stickers and strips
- 30192153 - Phrase stamps
- 30192800 - Self-adhesive labels
- 30199400 - Gummed or adhesive paper
- 39162000 - Educational equipment
- 39162110 - Teaching supplies

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of classroom reward products for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester.

### **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: £800,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Early Outdoor Play & Garden Furniture

Lot No

4

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

- 37535200 - Playground equipment
- 39142000 - Garden furniture
- 39160000 - School furniture
- 39162000 - Educational equipment

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of early outdoor play and garden furniture for delivery direct to individual customer establishments.

### **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: £400,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

## Bikes, Trikes & Ride on Vehicles

Lot No

5

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

- 34431000 - Non-motorised bicycles
- 37522000 - Wheeled toys
- 37529200 - Riding toys

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of bikes, trikes and ride on vehicles suitable for ages 2-7 years and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments.

### **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: £400,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Educational Mini White Board Ranges

Lot No

6

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

- 30195900 - Whiteboards and magnetic boards
- 30195910 - Whiteboards
- 30195912 - Whiteboard easels
- 39162110 - Teaching supplies

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of educational mini white board ranges and desktop easels, for delivery to the

ESPO distribution centre, Leicester.

### **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: £2,000,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

General Supplementary Curriculum Resources

Lot No

7

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

- 22114300 - Maps
- 39162000 - Educational equipment
- 39162100 - Teaching equipment
- 39162110 - Teaching supplies
- 39298600 - Globes

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of supplementary curriculum resources for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments.

### **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: £400,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Children's Aprons & Outdoor Clothing

Lot No

8

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

- 18000000 - Clothing, footwear, luggage articles and accessories
- 18143000 - Protective gear
- 18200000 - Outerwear
- 18221000 - Waterproof clothing
- 35113430 - Safety vests

- 35113440 - Reflective vests

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

Supply of children's aprons and outdoor clothing for delivery to the ESPO distribution centre, Leicester and for delivery direct to individual customer establishments.

### **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: £800,000

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

Start date

1 March 2022

End date

31 March 2024

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

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

Options: Yes

Description of options

The framework agreement has the option to extend for up to a further 23 months. The total estimated value stated in Section II.1.5 includes the option period.

### **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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

#### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

#### **III.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

The minimum financial requirement for the purposes of the current tender exercise is stated in the procurement documents.

This framework will operate on-going contract monitoring procedures following award, to ensure financial stability requirements are maintained.

Credit rating checks will be carried out on a regular basis, using the credit rating agency, Creditsafe Business Solutions Limited.

Any changes will be assessed (compared with a baseline credit rating score obtained at contract award stage) and significant changes or sustained degradation will be investigated.

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

#### **IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system**

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with several operators

In the case of framework agreements, provide justification for any duration exceeding 4 years:

#### **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**

Originally published as:

Date

30 September 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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Date

7 October 2021

Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

**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: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

**IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

30 September 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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## **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**

The Royal Court of Justice

The Strand

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

ESPO will incorporate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers. Applicants who are unsuccessful shall be informed by ESPO as soon as possible after the decision has been made as to the reasons why the applicant was unsuccessful. If an appeal regarding the award of the contract has not been successfully resolved, The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (SI 2105 No. 102) provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by breach of the rules to take legal action. Any such action must be brought within the applicable limitation period. Where a contract has not been entered into, the Court may order the setting aside of the award decision or order for any document to be amended and may award damages, make a declaration of ineffectiveness, order for a fine to be paid, and/or order the duration of the contract be shortened. The purpose of the standstill period referred to above is to allow the parties to apply to the Courts to set aside the award decision before the contract is entered into.