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Contract

## **Academies for Character Excellence Communications, Security & VoIP Partner**

Academies for Character and Excellence

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0421fa

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

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

Academies for Character and Excellence

Pathfields

Totnes

TQ9 5TZ

#### **Contact**

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[nick.joneswhyte@acexcellence.co.uk](mailto:nick.joneswhyte@acexcellence.co.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **NUTS code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://www.acexcellence.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

[https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA43212](https://www.mytenders.co.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA43212)

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

Education

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**Section II: Object**

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

**II.1.1) Title**

Academies for Character Excellence Communications, Security & VoIP Partner

**II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

**II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

**II.1.4) Short description**

1.2.2 ACE wishes to engage a single contractor to supply an communications, security &

VoIP Service and associated project implementation and training services across all sites within the Trust.

#### **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: £1,200,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 32429000 - Telephone network equipment
- 32510000 - Wireless telecommunications system
- 32522000 - Telecommunications equipment
- 32523000 - Telecommunications facilities
- 32524000 - Telecommunications system
- 72212200 - Networking, Internet and intranet software development services
- 72212730 - Security software development services
- 72212710 - Backup or recovery software development services
- 72212760 - Virus protection software development services
- 72212761 - Anti-virus software development services
- 72400000 - Internet services
- 72411000 - Internet service providers ISP
- 72421000 - Internet or intranet client application development services
- 72422000 - Internet or intranet server application development services

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

NUTS codes

- UKK43 - Devon CC

Main site or place of performance

Pathfields, Totnes TQ9 5TZ

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

ACE wishes to engage a single contractor to supply an communications, security & VoIP Service and associated project implementation and training services across all sites within the Trust.

This ITT is being issued as a two-stage competitive procurement conducted in accordance with the restricted procedure under the Public Contract Regulations (2015) as follows:

- Stage 1 evaluation – Selection Questionnaire (SQ)
- Stage 2 evaluation – Award Questionnaire

A single contract will be awarded and will run for a period of five (5) years with an option to extend for a further period of up to 12 months commencing on 1st June 2024).

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

Quality criterion - Name: Price / Weighting: 40.5

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 59.5

Price - Weighting: 40.5

#### **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

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## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

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

Restricted 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 000-035872](#)

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

### **Contract No**

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A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

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

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

5 June 2024

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

Number of tenders received: 4

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 4

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 4

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

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

Talk Straight Group

Unit 2-4 Backstone Business Park, Dansk Way

Ilkley

LS29 9LA

Telephone

+44 1133222333

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

No

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £1,200,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,200,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.3) Additional information**

(MT Ref:231512)

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

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

Public Procurement Review Service

Cabinet Office

London

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[publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk](mailto:publicprocurementreview@cabinetoffice.gov.uk)

Telephone

+44 3450103503

Country

United Kingdom

Internet address

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/public-procurement-review-service-scope-and-remit>

#### **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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