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Not applicable Stimulating the SME Apprenticeship and T Level Market Procurement

Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA)

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Section I: Contracting authority/entity

I.1) Name and addresses

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Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Stimulating the SME Apprenticeship and T Level Market Procurement

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Department for Education, acting through the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA), are seeking to procure outcome driven plans from intermediaries/partners and partnerships to build on the existing levels of awareness and business benefits amongst Employers and to stimulate and encourage new or renewed participation in Apprenticeships and T Level Industry placements within the Small and Medium Sized Employer (SME) landscape. This focus on SMEs and the new starts created will increase the economic value of skills being supplied by the post 16 system and these improved skills will lead to increased productivity, social mobility and will support economic recovery. A market engagement event will be conducted via Microsoft Teams in early July to provide further detail with regards to this opportunity and an update will be posted via Contracts Finder with details of how to access the event. The intention is to publish the tender opportunity in July 2021 and the procurement will be run via the DFE eTendering Portal URL:

<u>https://education.app.jaggaer.com</u> therefore please ensure that your organisation has an account registered on the Jaggaer portal to access the opportunity. Please note that all information in this notice is indicative and subject to change.

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.6) Original notice reference

Notice number: 2021/S 000-012503

Section VII. Changes

VII.1) Information to be changed or added

VII.2) Other additional information

Please see below link to the recording of the Stimulating the SME Apprenticeship and T Level Market Early engagement event held on the 7th September 2021:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FMT6ZNafGIk

Please also fine the link below for the questionnaire that was referenced during the market engagement event that we request any potential suppliers interested in this upcoming procurement opportunity to review and provide a response by the 21st September 2021: <u>https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=yXfS-grGoU2187O4s0qC-</u> <u>T5tXra3CKRDoVZYVuFVtHVUQUI0SlhWWTY4WFRMOTJMWTc0UkZYMEdCMy4u</u>