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Contract

Invitation to Tender for the provision of Digital Skills Bootcamps - EMPLOYERS

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Greater Manchester Combined Authority

Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service Headquarters, 146 Bolton Road, Swinton

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Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.manchesterfire.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.greatermanchester-ca.gov.uk/>

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

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Reference number

DN609558

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

As part of the "Plan for Jobs" the Department for Education (DfE) are providing £2.5bn for the National Skills Fund (NSF) to help adults build skills for the economy of the future; complementing provision available through Adult Education Budget (AEB). NSF comprises of Skills Bootcamps and the Level 3 Free Courses for Jobs Offer. Skills Bootcamps offer free flexible courses of up to 16 weeks giving people the opportunity to build up sector specific skills and fast track to an interview with a local employer.

The key objectives of skills bootcamps are to:

- Address the needs of employers to fill skills shortage vacancies requiring specialist digital skills and improve business productivity.
- Address the needs of adults to retrain and upskill whatever their starting point. Providing clear line of sight to a new role / opportunity / contract.
- Diversifying the talent pipeline by targeting groups underrepresented in key sectors.

Skills Bootcamps are targeted at all adults aged 19+ who are in-work, self-employed, unemployed, returning to work after a career break and prisoners on temporary release or due to be released within six months. With a focus on specific priority groups. This funding round will open on Tuesday 26th April and close on Monday 6th June at 12 noon. Late applications will not be accepted. Consortia can bid for a minimum of £100,000 and a maximum of £500,000. There is £1.5m of funding available in total. (Funding Period is

until the end of March 2023 with the potential to extend until March 2025).

This opportunity is specifically targeted at employers with innovative ideas for digital training that could open up opportunities for people to enter the industry. This could be upskilling the existing workforce and/or developing a pipeline for the wider industry.

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: £654,355

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 90%

Price - Weighting: 10%

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

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: No

IV.2) Administrative information

IV.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

GMCA 450 (a)

Title

Contract for the provision of Digital Skills Bootcamps - EMPLOYERS

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 August 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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

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

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

DMA UK - Data & Marketing Association Ltd

London

W1W 8SS

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £154,427

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

GMCA 450 (b)

Title

Contract for the provision of Digital Skills Bootcamps - EMPLOYERS

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

26 August 2022

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 3

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Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Fearless Adventures Limited

Manchester

SK9 1LD

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £499,928

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Court of Justice

London

WC2A2LL

Country

United Kingdom