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Contract

Grant Management Services and Digital Support for the DigitalBoost Fund (DBF)

Scottish Government

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Main address

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

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA10482

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Grant Management Services and Digital Support for the DigitalBoost Fund (DBF)

Reference number

CASE/563022

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 75100000 - Administration services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Scottish Government's Digital Economy Unit sought a suitably qualified and experienced supplier with a proven track record in administering large volumes of funding support and specialist advice to support SMEs to adopt digital technologies. The supplier will undertake the administration and management – including digital advice, capacity building, marketing, monitoring and post-programme appraisal – of the DigitalBoost Fund (DBF).

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: £2,641,147.02

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 75112100 - Administrative development project services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The Scottish Government's Digital Economy Unit is seeking a suitably qualified and experienced supplier with a proven track record in administering large volumes of funding support and specialist advice to support SMEs to adopt digital technologies. The supplier

will undertake the administration and management – including digital advice, capacity building, marketing, monitoring and post-programme appraisal – of the DigitalBoost Fund (DBF).

The contract is being procured following the Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Finance making funding available to support businesses to take advantage of digital technologies and digital skills. The funding is focused specifically on increasing SME digital capability and capacity in order to improve productivity, strengthen business resilience and support Scotland's economic recovery.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Scottish Government reserve the option to extend the Contract until 12 May 2023.

The Scottish Government reserve the option to scale-up the Contract. The maximum available scale-up budget will be 2 000 000 GBP (excluding VAT).

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

Economic operators may be excluded from this competition if they are in any of the situations referred to in regulation 58 of the Public Contracts (Scotland) Regulations 2015.

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number: [2021/S 000-017118](#)

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CASE/563022

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

6 October 2021

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

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

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Lanarkshire Enterprise Services

Atrium Business Centre, North Caldeen Road

Coatbridge

ML5 4EF

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKM84 - North Lanarkshire

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £3,500,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £2,641,147.02

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Community Benefits:

1) LESL will offer at least two young people the opportunity to engage in work experience with them by the end of February 2022.

2) LESL will contribute 5000 GBP worth of devices to Scottish children's charities who provide support to those children in most need.

Fair Work Practices and Living Wage:

LESL is accredited as a Scottish Living Wage Employer and will continue to pay that wage rate through the duration of this contract.

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Sheriff Court House, 27 Chambers Street

Edinburgh

EH1 1LB

Country

United Kingdom