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# P23-008 Framework Agreement for the Provision of IT Security (Penetration) Testing

Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

16 October 2023, 12:00pm

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# **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Skills Development Scotland Co. Limited

Monteith House, 11 George Square

Glasgow

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#### **Email**

procurement@sds.co.uk

#### **Telephone**

+44 1412256710

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKM - Scotland

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Buyer's address

## I.3) Communication

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

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

National Skills Agency

## I.5) Main activity

Other activity

National Skills Agency

## **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

#### II.1.1) Title

P23-008 Framework Agreement for the Provision of IT Security (Penetration) Testing

Reference number

P23-008

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 72225000 - System quality assurance assessment and review services

## II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

## II.1.4) Short description

Skills Development Scotland has a requirement to establish a framework agreement for the provision of security testing services to Skills Development Scotland (SDS), Scottish Enterprise (SE), Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSE) and Enterprise Information Systems (EIS).

## II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £288,000

## II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

## II.2) Description

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

• 72225000 - System quality assurance assessment and review services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UKM - Scotland

### II.2.4) Description of the procurement

This opportunity is for the establishment of a Framework Agreement for the provision of IT Security (Penetration) Testing Services to Skills Development Scotland (SDS), Scottish Enterprise (SE), Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), South of Scotland Enterprise (SOSE) and Enterprise Information Systems (EIS).

The scope of the tendered services covers provision of security testing services which will require a supplier to identify, test for and exploit vulnerabilities (only where specifically required and agreed), confirm security controls are effective and recommend remedial actions to any vulnerability or weakness found.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Start date

5 February 2024

End date

3 February 2028

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

Option to extend for up to one year at the sole discretion of SDS. This extension period is covered within the dates outlined in this Contract Notice.

#### II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

#### 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

#### II.2.14) Additional information

Please note this is for the establishment of a Framework Agreement.

# 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.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

### **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

Envisaged maximum number of participants to the framework agreement: 4

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

n/a

## 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

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Date

13 October 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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#### IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

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

Date

13 October 2023

Local time

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# **Section VI. Complementary information**

# VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

## VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

## VI.3) Additional information

Please note this is for the establishment of a Framework Agreement.

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## VI.4) Procedures for review

#### VI.4.1) Review body

Glasgow Sheriff Court

Glasgow

Country

**United Kingdom**