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Contract

CO0299 Multiply - Lot 1 - Janaury 2024

Essex County Council

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-026732

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03d4dc

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Essex County Council

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Chelmsford

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKH3 - Essex

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.essex.gov.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://www.essex.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

CO0299 Multiply - Lot 1 - Janaury 2024

Reference number

DN705407

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The purpose of this competition under Lot 1 “Businesses and supporting people into work” is to invite bids to create and deliver a training provision that will enable people in

employment and job seekers to improve their numeracy skills for work.

Bidders are expected to work together with businesses to identify specific numeracy skills required in the workplace. More specifically, bidders are expected to:

- a) work with businesses to develop and deliver training courses that are bespoke to the sector the business operates in, or the business itself.
- b) develop courses aimed at people who cannot apply for certain jobs because of lack of numeracy skills and / or to encourage people to upskill in numeracy in order to access a certain job/ career.
- c) Develop additional relevant maths modules embedded into other vocational courses.

Eligible target learners are adults 19+ who have not previously attained a GCSE Grade 4/C or higher maths qualification. They can either be working towards a maths GCSE or Functional Skills Qualification or need specific numeracy skills for their work or progression.

Expected duration of training courses is between 6 to 10 guided learning hours.

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: £300,000

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKH3 - Essex

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Substantive learning (formal or informal) is defined as learning being delivered in two or more hours. All substantive learning will be recorded in the Individualised Learner Record (ILR) monthly. Suppliers will need to submit the ILR directly to the Department for Education. If suppliers do not receive direct ESFA funding, should submit via the ILR input tool. Suppliers will need to provide ECC with a copy of the ILR using an ECC template.

Department for Education (DfE) has confirmed that Multiply training / learning will not be subject to Ofsted inspections.

Outreach activities (a.k.a. non-substantive learning) should not be recorded in the ILR. Instead, the full name, postcode and date of birth should be recorded on a separate return to ECC monthly, which will then be shared by ECC with the Department for Education. It is entirely appropriate for suppliers to collect more information from adults involved in outreach activities to enable them to follow up and market Multiply to those engaged.

Proposed provision under this mini competition must be unique and not a continuation of previously funded programmes that have been awarded under this Dynamic Purchasing System (DPS). If a proposal is found to be an extension of previous funding, ECC reserves the right to reject the proposal.

The maximum cost per learner for this requirement (Lot 1) is £35 per guided learning hour. Please note: if the proposal is found to exceed the maximum cost per learner, ECC reserves the right to reject the proposal.

Bidders may bid above a minimum value of £10,000 and up to a maximum of £100,000 in this mini competition. Please note: if the bid does not fall within this range, ECC reserves the right to reject this proposal.

Minimum number of learners for this mini competition is 29.

All learners must be unique learners and therefore proposed provision should not include the ability for learners to undertake multiple courses within the same Lot. This would not prevent learners undertaking courses funded by different Lots.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 100

Price - Weighting: 0

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

Restricted procedure

IV.1.3) Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

CO0299 Multiply

Lot No

1

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

8 February 2024

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 7

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 7

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: 7

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

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

KBM Training and Recruitment Limited

1 Concord Business Centre, Concord Road,

London

W3 0TJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £80,000

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The STC Group

Unit 32a Bates Industrial Estate, Church Road

Harold Wood

RM3 0HU

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

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V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

The International Education Group Limited (TiEGr)

14 Maypole Street, Newhall

Harlow

CM17 9JJ

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH3 - Essex

The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £100,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Royal Courts of Justice

London

WC2A 2LL

Country

United Kingdom