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## **Digital Skills Courses - Skills Connect**

West Yorkshire Combined Authority

F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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United Kingdom

**Region code**

UKE42 - Leeds

**National registration number**

8876556

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

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

Buyer's address

<https://yortender.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/103257>

**I.3) Communication**

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

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=72685&B=UK](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=72685&B=UK)

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance\\_s.asp?PID=72685&B=UK](https://uk.eu-supply.com/app/rfq/rwlenrance_s.asp?PID=72685&B=UK)

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**I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Regional or local authority

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

Digital Skills Courses - Skills Connect

Reference number

78576

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 80000000 - Education and training services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The Combined Authority is seeking to contract with up to 6 providers to deliver Skills Connect courses to upskill individuals up to December 2024. Progression tracking will end 31st March 2025. The aim of Skills Connect is to support individuals into new roles or take on additional responsibilities and providers will be paid based on start, completion and progression of participants. Learning needs to be delivered at a level and length where individuals can progress based on the course content. The provider will need to evidence the rationale of content and length based on expected progression.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £995,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

Tenders may be submitted for all lots

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 1 - Essential Digital Skills

Lot No

1

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

**II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE42 - Leeds
- UKE - Yorkshire and the Humber

**II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

The number of people in digital roles is growing and the evidence shows that employers often cannot hire employees with the required skillset. Microsoft Office and Microsoft Excel are seen as some of the most in-demand skills at the present time for employers.

**II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

**II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £130,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

**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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 2 - Digital: Creative Technologies

Lot No

2

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Businesses and individuals across West Yorkshire are exploring new skills needs within the region. Digital Marketing, User Experience, social media for Businesses and Content Creation are skills that are integral to development and growth of businesses in the region. This suite of courses will support individuals into new roles and progressions in West Yorkshire. In turn, this will ensure economic growth from sole-traders, SME's and large organisations in the region.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £325,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 3 – Digital: IT Roles

Lot No

3

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire
- UK - United Kingdom

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This suite of courses is designed to mitigate skills gaps in mid-high-level roles. There is a clear line of sight to apprenticeships in IT Support, Cloud Computing and Cyber Security roles all of which West Yorkshire businesses need.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £215,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 4 – Digital: Technical Skills

Lot No

4

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

This suite of courses will be designed as an introduction to Data Analytics and Web Design & Web Development.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £140,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 5 – Digital: Management Roles

Lot No

5

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Management courses in the Digital offer will be designed to introduce individuals to leadership in the digital sector. These courses will be available to candidates who would like to explore management roles within digital teams.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £140,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

### **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) Description**

### **II.2.1) Title**

Lot 6 – Ethical use of Artificial Intelligence

Lot No

6

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

- 80000000 - Education and training services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKE4 - West Yorkshire

#### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

Artificial Intelligence is an up-and-coming skill set that is rising across West Yorkshire. Individuals and businesses are using Artificial Intelligence more often. This course will be designed to teach individuals how to use Artificial Intelligence ethically and to explore AI tools available.

#### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

#### **II.2.6) Estimated value**

Value excluding VAT: £45,000

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

Start date

1 January 2024

End date

31 March 2025

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **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

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## **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

## **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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

23 October 2023

Local time

2:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 1 January 2024

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

Date

23 October 2023

Local time

2:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom