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Tender

Provision of End Point Assessment Services to Service Personnel Undertaking the Level 3 Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard

Ministry of Defence

F02: Contract notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Defence

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Email

armycomrcl-procure-aap-mailbox@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/ministry-of-defence

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

https://contracts.mod.uk/esop/quest/go/opportunity/detail?opportunityId=57104

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

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I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

I.5) Main activity

Defence

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Provision of End Point Assessment Services to Service Personnel Undertaking the Level 3 Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard

Reference number

709012450

II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

This contract opportunity is for the provision of a supplier to deliver End Point Assessment (EPA) services in connection with the Ministry of Defence (MOD) Army Apprenticeship Programme. EPAs will be delivered to service personnel of the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers (REME), Royal Marines (RM), Royal Logistic Corps (RLC) and Infantry undertaking a Level 3 (L3) Engineering Technician apprenticeship standard (ST0457).

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £7,500,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80340000 Special education services
- 80511000 Staff training services

- 80521000 Training programme services
- 80531100 Industrial training services
- 80531200 Technical training services
- 80570000 Personal development training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

• UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The appointed End Point Assessment Organisation (EPAO) will be responsible for delivering the following activities in connection with the apprenticeship standard:

- Assessment Design and Delivery
- Governance, Quality Assurance and Continual Improvement
- Communications with Stakeholders
- Learner Management
- Complaints, Appeals, Re-sits and Re-takes

Learner throughput for EPA in this contract is anticipated as approximately 558 over five years and it is expected that Occupation Competence Validation Interviews (VIVAs) will take place online.

II.2.5) Award criteria

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

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

Duration in months

60

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: Yes

Description of options

The Contracting Authority shall have the right to extend the contract for up to 24 months.

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

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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

29 November 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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

Duration in months: 3 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

29 November 2023

Local time

5:00pm

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

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VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Ministry of Defence

Andover

Email

armycomrcl-procure-aap-mailbox@mod.gov.uk

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

The contracting authority will operate a minimum 10 calendar day standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to tenderers to provide time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. Unsuccessful tenderers shall be notified by the contracting authority as soon as possible after the decision is made as to the reasons why they were unsuccessful. In the first instance, potentially aggrieved economic operators should notify the Ministry of Defence of an appeal.