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

Ministry of Defence

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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](mailto: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/guest/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

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## **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

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## **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

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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**

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

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

Ministry of Defence

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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.

