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### **Planning**

# **Future Skills Programme**

Ministry of Justice

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## **Section I: Contracting authority**

## I.1) Name and addresses

Ministry of Justice

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**United Kingdom** 

### Region code

UK - United Kingdom

### Internet address(es)

Main address

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

## I.3) Communication

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Ministry or any other national or federal authority

## I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

# **Section II: Object**

## II.1) Scope of the procurement

### II.1.1) Title

Future Skills Programme

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

• 80500000 - Training services

### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

Future Skills Programme is one strand of the Employability Innovation Fund. The fund

was announced in the Prisons Strategy White Paper (December 2021) to enable prisons to work with organisations to deliver sector-specific training to meet the changing needs of the economy and smooth the path from prison to employment.

The programme offers employers the opportunity to develop and run bespoke skills training courses for prisoners approaching release. These courses will provide prison leavers with a route to work, and employers with a talent pool that matches their specific needs and values.

In issuing this Prior Information Notice, the MoJ is seeking to inform the market of this planned procurement with a view to having a virtual market engagement session on 5th December 2022. This will be recorded if you are unable to attend this session.

#### II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £5,500,000

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

### II.2) Description

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

- 03000000 Agricultural, farming, fishing, forestry and related products
- 09000000 Petroleum products, fuel, electricity and other sources of energy
- 32000000 Radio, television, communication, telecommunication and related equipment
- 32523000 Telecommunications facilities
- 34000000 Transport equipment and auxiliary products to transportation
- 35000000 Security, fire-fighting, police and defence equipment
- 41000000 Collected and purified water
- 45000000 Construction work
- 50000000 Repair and maintenance services
- 55000000 Hotel, restaurant and retail trade services
- 60000000 Transport services (excl. Waste transport)

- 64000000 Postal and telecommunications services
- 65000000 Public utilities
- 71000000 Architectural, construction, engineering and inspection services
- 72000000 IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support
- 72212480 Sales, marketing and business intelligence software development services
- 75231200 Services related to the detention or rehabilitation of criminals
- 77000000 Agricultural, forestry, horticultural, aquacultural and apicultural services
- 77310000 Planting and maintenance services of green areas
- 79634000 Career guidance services
- 79998000 Coaching services
- 80000000 Education and training services
- 80511000 Staff training services
- 80530000 Vocational training services
- 80531000 Industrial and technical training services
- 80532000 Management training services
- 80570000 Personal development training services
- 80590000 Tutorial services
- 90514000 Refuse recycling services
- 98000000 Other community, social and personal services
- 98110000 Services furnished by business, professional and specialist organisations

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

• UK - United Kingdom

Main site or place of performance

The HMPPS Prison Estate in England and Wales

## II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The purpose of this engagement is to secure wider market involvement in the testing and

development of the Future Skills Programme across the HMPPS Prison Estate in England and Wales. MoJ is seeking to assess the level of interest, capability and capacity of a wide range of organisations

to help achieve this.

The Future Skills Programme (FSP) is separate to the Prisoner Education Service (PES) programme for which some suppliers may have already registered. Both programmes form part of our overarching ambition to ensure prisoners can access the skills and qualifications they need to get into employment on release.

To access the FSP Market Engagement and related information, organisations need to register separately on Jaggaer, following the instructions in this PIN.

The PES programme will deliver future Adult Prisoner Education Services (PES) in England. Following Market Engagement with a wide range of prospective suppliers, we will shortly commence Market Warming – look out for communications coming soon. If you have not registered for PES market warming and next steps you can still register here <a href="https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/a3b29677-949f-42c2-98be-250417ef96">https://www.contractsfinder.service.gov.uk/Notice/a3b29677-949f-42c2-98be-250417ef96</a>

#### Our Vision

The Future Skills Programme will equip prisoners approaching the end of their sentence with the necessary skills and employer relationships to secure sustainable employment on release.

#### Our Ambition

Skills training will be delivered across multiple prisons between 2023 and 2025 to support prison leavers into employment. We want to develop truly innovative approaches to equipping prison leavers with skills to get and sustain jobs for the future. Any programme will include, as a minimum, a guaranteed interview and ideally a job commitment for those that complete the course.

#### Our Plan

We want to work with businesses who have recruitment needs and will commit to providing job opportunities. We are keen to engage with a diverse range of businesses across traditional and growth sectors that can offer prisoners a life changing opportunity.

Why work with us?

The Future Skills Programme will offer a range of potential benefits to employers, including:

- access to a diverse talent pool from which to cost-effectively recruit
- the ability to deliver bespoke sector-specific training to meet your business needs
- the opportunity to upskill individuals who are motivated and ready to work, and who are proven to have high levels of retention, reliability, and performance
- dedicated support from the skills and work teams in prisons, and
- an opportunity to test and shape innovative approaches to rehabilitation in partnership with HMPPS.

In issuing this Prior Information Notice, HMPPS is seeking to inform the market of this planned procurement with a view to initiating market consultation on the 5th December 2022. We are keen to hear views from a wide range of employers and training providers. We want to understand more about existing practice, innovative delivery designs, identified barriers to employment for prison leavers, and potential procurement routes.

Registrations for the market engagement event close on 30th November 2022

We reserve the right to supplement and vary the conduct of the prior engagement process. Where we do this, we will act transparently and treat all suppliers who have expressed an interest equally.

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The procurement exercise will run via the eSourcing portal <a href="https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk">https://ministryofjusticecommercial.bravosolution.co.uk</a>. You can register here.

## II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

6 February 2023

# **Section IV. Procedure**

# **IV.1) Description**

# IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: No