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Contract

YPO - 001086 Apprenticeships

YPO

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Region code

UKE45 - Wakefield

Internet address(es)

Main address

<http://www.ypo.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

<https://procontract.due-north.com/register?ReadForm>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

YPO - 001086 Apprenticeships

Reference number

001086

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

Framework Agreement for the provision of Apprenticeship Standards and Associated Training. The Framework is designed to meet the needs of all public sector organisations which includes YPO's internal requirements. YPO may seek to introduce collaborative partners to this Framework throughout its duration to support growth.

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: £10,000,000,000

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80000000 - Education and training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The routes are as prescribed by the 'Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education'.

These were defined using labour market information regarding the size and nature of occupations grouped to reflect shared requirements for occupationally related skills and knowledge.

The routes are listed on the left hand side of the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education' website: <https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/> YPO will list all routes, along with standards which are approved for delivery, and providers will have the ability to select which standards region they are able to deliver in when bidding for the framework.

The routes will be as listed by the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education guidance.

The framework will replicate the structure that is provided by the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education. If the structure is amended by the institute then the framework structure will be amended to run in-line on the next quarter update.

Please be advised that the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education has the ability

to change the title of routes and move standards into alternative routes based on feedback

from contracting authorities, YPO reserve the right to follow the same process based on the

Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education direction.

Any new routes will be added onto the framework on a quarterly basis with the subsequent

standards aligned under them.

On a quarterly basis YPO will add on new developed standards as they appear on the above

website, the number of standards will continue to grow and will be updated in the documents.

Providers will be able to bid for all live standards that have been listed from the beginning of

the framework and all new standards that are added by the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education throughout the duration of the framework.

The standards are each listed on the Institute for Apprenticeships & Technical Education website and can be found at:

<https://www.instituteforapprenticeships.org/apprenticeship-standards/>

At the point of the framework being published there will be:

- 11 regions
- 15 routes

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 50%

Quality criterion - Name: Social Value / Weighting: 10%

Price - Weighting: 40%

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

Open procedure

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

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

001086

Title

YPO - 001086 Apprenticeships

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

15 April 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 14

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ACORN TRAINING LTD

Stoke-on-Trent

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG23 - Stoke-on-Trent

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

ASPIRE PROCUREMENT TRAINING LTD

Warrington

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD61 - Warrington

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

CAMBRIDGE MARKETING COLLEGE LIMITED

Cambridge

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKH12 - Cambridgeshire CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

GTG TRAINING LIMITED

Wolverhampton

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG39 - Wolverhampton

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

HUGH BAIRD COLLEGE

Bootle

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD7 - Merseyside

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

LEEDS COLLEGE OF BUILDING

Leeds

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKE42 - Leeds

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MANCHESTER DIGITAL LIMITED

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

MEDIPRO LIMITED

Stockton-on-Tees

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKC14 - Durham CC

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

SMART TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT LIMITED

Newport

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKL21 - Monmouthshire and Newport

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

THE APPRENTICE ACADEMY LIMITED

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

THE BRITISH INSTITUTE OF RECRUITERS

Manchester

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKD33 - Manchester

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON T/A UCL

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKI - London

The contractor is an SME

No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

WORKFORCE TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT LTD

London

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: £10,000,000,000

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

YPO are purchasing on the behalf of other contracting authorities. Please see the below link

for details: <https://www.ypo.co.uk/about/customers/missible-users>.

YPO will incorporate a standstill period at the point of notification of the award of the contract is provided to all bidders. The standstill period will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, and provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court of England and Wales

London

Country

United Kingdom