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Opportunity

## **Personalised Assessments in Reading and Numeracy**

Welsh Government

F02: Contract notice

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

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

Welsh Government

Commercial Procurement DDaT, Cathays Park

Cardiff

CF10 3NQ

#### **Contact**

ICT Procurement

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#### **Telephone**

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#### **Country**

United Kingdom

## **NUTS code**

UKL - Wales

## **Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://gov.wales>

Buyer's address

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA0007)

## **I.3) Communication**

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

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

Electronic communication requires the use of tools and devices that are not generally available. Unrestricted and full direct access to these tools and devices is possible, free of charge, at

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/web/login.shtml>

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

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

Personalised Assessments in Reading and Numeracy

Reference number

C084/2021/2022

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

- 72212190 - Educational software development services

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

Services

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

Welsh Government is intending to appoint a supplier to deliver Personalised Assessments in Wales as a full end-to-end digital service. Personalised assessments in reading and numeracy are statutory for learners in maintained schools in Wales from Years 2 to 9. The adaptive assessments are designed to support understanding of individual learner progression as part of Curriculum for Wales.

The assessments are for formative use, with a range of feedback on individuals, classes and groups that support understanding of strengths and areas for improvement.

The successful supplier will be required to provide a continuation of a digital service, develop and deliver a suite of services, including:

- An intuitive and user-friendly web-based and fully bilingual interface;
- A suite of four web-based adaptive assessments – English Reading, Welsh Reading, Numeracy (Procedural) and Numeracy (Reasoning);
- Content for the adaptive assessments appropriate for learners from Year 2 to 9
- Reporting (standardised and bespoke);

- Bilingual support/service desk; and
- Provide fully hosted infrastructure (UK/EU located data centre).

The successful supplier will be required to:

- be certified under either ISO27001 or Cyber Essentials Plus schemes;
- ensure the solution is fully bilingual and complies with level AAA of the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) / ISO 40500:2012;
- manage the integration with existing systems, ensuring efficient and ongoing data transfer and providing a fully integrated solution with a single sign-on;
- manage the seamless and secure transition from the current service to the new solution, including all content and data migration, the adaptive algorithm and assessment reports; and
- take an innovative approach, seeking to improve and add value to the service, as new products and approaches become available.

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

Value excluding VAT: £21,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 48190000 - Educational software package
- 72212190 - Educational software development services
- 80000000 - Education and training services

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

NUTS codes

- UKL - Wales

Main site or place of performance

The will be a digital service and will be delivered to schools across Wales.

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

This is an open procurement to appoint a single supplier to deliver the services, as detailed in Section 2 (Specification) of the ITT.

The contract will be for 4 years with the option to extend for 2 further periods of 12 months (6 years in total).

The Welsh Government would welcome consortium bids.

Wider Economic and Social Benefits will be included in the evaluation of tenders.

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

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 70

Price - Weighting: 30

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

Value excluding VAT: £21,000,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The contract will have the option to extend the duration by 2 periods of 12 months

#### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: Yes

### **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

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2022/S 022-123124](#)

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

Date

31 January 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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

English, Welsh

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

Duration in months: 5 (from the date stated for receipt of tender)

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

Date

31 January 2023

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

### **VI.3) Additional information**

The eTenderWales procurement portal will be used to administer the procurement exercise, please register free here if you are considering bidding:

<https://etenderwales.bravosolution.co.uk/home.html>

The eTenderWales ITT details are as follows:

Ref: itt\_99210

Name: Online Reading and Numeracy Tests

For technical advice accessing eTenderWales please contact the eTendering Helpdesk info:  
Mon – Fri; 8am to 6pm

Phone: 0800 069 8634

NOTE: The authority is using eTenderwales to carry out this procurement process. To obtain further information record your interest on Sell2Wales at

[https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search\\_switch.aspx?ID=126942](https://www.sell2wales.gov.wales/search/search_switch.aspx?ID=126942)

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The buyer considers that this contract is suitable for consortia.

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

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

High Court

Royal Courts of Justice, The Strand

London

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