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Planning

Regulatory Officer Training

Defra Network eTendering Portal

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

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Buyer's address

<https://defra-family.force.com/s/Welcome>

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

Environment

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Regulatory Officer Training

Reference number

C5489

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 80540000 - Environmental training services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Environment Agency is seeking a qualified/accredited training provider to deliver introductory training to circa 200 Regulatory Officers per year potentially for the next five years. This training will cover the basic technical aspects of land, waste and water management and core regulatory duties, skills and techniques.

This tender will be divided into three lots of training topics as follows:

- Cross-functional regulatory duties, skills and techniques
- Water management
- Waste management

Providers can bid for 1, 2 or all 3 lots.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £27,000,000

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 80540000 - Environmental training services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

Regulatory Officer Training

II.2.14) Additional information

Environment Agency Regulatory Officers regulate everything from water companies and waste management sites to farms and industrial facilities, all of which may impact the surrounding environment. Officers are part of customer-facing frontline teams working directly to create a cleaner, safer and healthier environment.

II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice

21 December 2022

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: Yes

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

The role includes influencing companies and business to minimise their environmental impact, conducting compliance assessments and inspections, taking enforcement action where relevant and managing pollution incidents. Officers also liaise frequently with partners and the communities they serve.

We recruit around 200 Regulatory Officers each year and therefore have a regular requirement to deliver significant amounts of training. Some new starter training is currently outsourced, for example courses covering health & safety and enforcement, however the provision of introductory Environment Management and regulatory skills/techniques training falls for the most part to frontline officers. This can at times result in a strain on their capacity to regulate thus the organization is now looking to out-source some or all of our new officer training.

This outsourcing exercise also presents the opportunity to improve the standard and recognition of our introductory training offer and subsequent capability of Regulatory Officers. As such all Regulatory Officers should receive training that is endorsed/accredited where possible by professional bodies