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Contract

'Cradle to Career' Discovery phase

West Midlands Combined Authority

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-058793

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

West Midlands Combined Authority

16 Summer Lane

Birmingham

B193SD

Contact

Lydia Russell

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UKG31 - Birmingham

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://www.wmca.org.uk/>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Regional or local authority

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

'Cradle to Career' Discovery phase

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98200000 - Equal opportunities consultancy services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

West Midlands Combined Authority require the support from an external consultant to provide specialist support to improve outcomes in education, employment, health, and community resilience by engaging communities in a structured, collaborative process of local transformation. Cradle to Career represents a model of inclusive growth and community-led transformation that aligns closely with WMCA's Employment and Skills Strategy and ambition for preventative, locally driven reform.

This is a compliant direct award via the Agri-EPI Centre (AEC) Framework to Constellia Limited.

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: £303,030.30

II.2) Description

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

Option to extend for a period of 6 months at no additional value

II.2.14) Additional information

This is a 24 month contract with an optional 6 month extension, 12th August 2025- 11th August 2027

Section IV. Procedure

IV.1) Description

IV.1.1) Type of procedure

Award of a contract without prior publication of a call for competition in the cases listed below

- The procurement falls outside the scope of application of the regulations

Explanation:

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

11 August 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 1

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Constellia Limited

London

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UKG - West Midlands (England)

Justification for not providing organisation identifier

Not on any register

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £303,030.30

Total value of the contract/lot: £303,030.30

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

West Midlands Combined Authority Birmingham

London

Country

United Kingdom