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Tender

Cloud Services Provider

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

F02: Contract notice

Notice identifier: 2025/S 000-077919

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-05eab6

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The closing date and time has been changed to:

14 January 2026, 12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Skills Development Scotland Ltd

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Email

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Telephone

+44 1698688824

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKM - Scotland

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA12862

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.3) Communication

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

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Default.aspx>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Default.aspx>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Other type

Non departmental public body

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

Cloud Services Provider

Reference number

P25-003

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The scope of the tendered services covers provision of an Azure Expert Cloud Service Provider (CSP) services as well as delivering a co-managed service management model of the Azure services.

II.1.5) Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: £3,820,236

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 72000000 - IT services: consulting, software development, Internet and support

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKM - Scotland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

The scope of the tendered services covers provision of an Azure Expert Cloud Service Provider (CSP) services as well as delivering a co-managed service management model of the Azure services. In effect, co-managed will see a supplier manage the core elements of the solution (e.g. platform, AV, back-up, to OS layer) while allowing EIS the flexibility and agility to deliver certain services in support of Partner/Service Beneficiaries business outcomes (e.g stand up/stand down virtual machines for development purposes)

II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

II.2.6) Estimated value

Value excluding VAT: £3,820,236

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

Duration in months

36

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 year initial period with the option to extend for 12 months on one occasion

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

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

II.2.14) Additional information

Please note the contracting authority is Skills Development Scotland and the services provided will be for SDS (EIS), Scottish Enterprise, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and South of Scotland Enterprise. Further information can be found in the procurement documents

Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Please see the tender documents for further information on selection criteria

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

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

Originally published as:

Date

7 January 2026

Local time

12:00pm

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Date

14 January 2026

Local time

12:00pm

See the [change notice](#).

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

English

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

Tender must be valid until: 7 April 2026

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

7 January 2026

Local time

12:00pm

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: No

VI.2) Information about electronic workflows

Electronic payment will be used

VI.3) Additional information

NOTE: To register your interest in this notice and obtain any additional information please visit the Public Contracts Scotland Web Site at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/Search/Search_Switch.aspx?ID=816896.

The buyer has indicated that it will accept electronic responses to this notice via the Postbox facility. A user guide is available at

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/sitehelp/help_guides.aspx.

Suppliers are advised to allow adequate time for uploading documents and to dispatch the electronic response well in advance of the closing time to avoid any last minute problems.

Community benefits are included in this requirement. For more information see:

<https://www.gov.scot/policies/public-sector-procurement/community-benefits-in-procurement/>

A summary of the expected community benefits has been provided as follows:

Information only question being asked on community benefits. How will your company support local economic and social wellbeing through this contract, specifically by providing local

job creation, skills development, and supply chain opportunities for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)

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Download the ESPD document here:

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/ESPD/ESPD_Download.aspx?id=816896

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The Sheriff Clerk's Office

1 Carlton Place

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<https://www.scotcourts.gov.uk/the-courts/court-locations/glasgow-sheriff-court-and-justice-of-the-peace-court>

VI.4.2) Body responsible for mediation procedures

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VI.4.4) Service from which information about the review procedure may be obtained

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