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**CONTRACT NOTICE** 

#### Section I: Contracting authority

Name, addresses and contact point(s)

Official name Skills Funding Agency	National ID	
Postal address Cheylesmore House, Quinton Road		
Town Coventry	Postal code CV1 2WT	<b>Country</b> UK
Contact point(s) For the attention of	Telephone	
E-mail Procurementhelp@sfa.bis.gov.uk	Fax	

#### Internet address(es) if applicable

General address of the contracting authority URL

https://www.gov.uk/.../department-for-business-innovation-skills

Address of the buyer profile URL

Electronic access to information URL

Electronic submission of tenders and requests to participate URL

Please use Annex A to provide more detailed information

#### Further information can be obtained from

■ The above mentioned contact point(s)

Specifications and additional documents (including documents for competitive dialogue and a dynamic purchasing system) can be obtained from

■ The above mentioned contact point(s)

#### Tenders or requests to participate must be sent to

■ The above mentioned contact point(s)

#### I.2) Type of the contracting authority

#### Authority

■ Body governed by public law

#### Other (please specify)

#### Activity

- ☐ General public services
- ☐ Defence
- ☐ Public order and safety
- ☐ Environment
- $lue{}$  Economic and financial affairs
- ☐ Health
- ☐ Housing and community amenities
- ☐ Social protection
- ☐ Recreation, culture and religion
- **■** Education

Other (please specify)
The contracting authority is purchasing on behalf of other contracting authorities ■ no
Section II: Object of the contract
II.1) Description
II.1.1) Title attributed to the contract by the contracting authority  To procure the services of organisations to deliver activity to support employee and employers on behalf of The Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills acting through the Skills Funding Agency (SFA) for delivery in the Thames Valley Berkshire Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) area
<pre>II.1.2) Type of contract and location of works, place of delivery or of performance (choose one category only – works, supplies or services – which corresponds most to the specific object of your contract or purchase(s)) ■ Services</pre>
Туре
Туре
Service category No: (Please see Annex C1 for service categories)  ■ 24: Education and vocational education services
Main site or location of works, place of delivery or of performance:
NUTS code

Information about a public contract, a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing

system (DPS)

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The notice involves a public contract  ■ The notice involves a public contract	
The notice involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)  ☐ The notice involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system (DPS)	
The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement  ☐ The notice involves the establishment of a framework agreement	
II.1.4) Information on framework agreement (if applicable)	
Number	
or (if applicable) maximum number of participants to the framework agreement envisaged	
Duration of the framework agreement	
Duration in years	
or in months:	
Justification for a framework agreement, the duration of which exceeds four years:	
Estimated total value of purchases for the entire duration of the framework agreemen (if applicable, give figures only)	t
Estimated value excluding VAT:	

or Range: between

and									
Currency	:								
Frequency	and valu	e of the	contracts	to l	be awarded:	(if	known)		

#### II.1.5) Short description of the contract or purchase(s)

Delivery of Education & Vocational training services activity funded through the European Social Fund (ESF) to support employees and employers in the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) area mentioned at II.1.1 above.

The activity to be procured is:

- •Skills Support for the Workforce, Intermediate/Higher Skills Provision
- •Apprenticeship Services

#### II.1.6) Common procurement vocabulary (CPV)

	Main vocabulary	Supplementary vocabulary if applicable
Main object	8000000	

#### II.1.7) Information about Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

The contract is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)

■ yes

II.1.8) Lots (for information about lots, use Annex B as many times as there are lots)

This contract is divided into lots:

■ no

<pre>II.1.9) Variants will be accepted ■ no</pre>
II.2) Quantity or scope of the contract
<pre>II.2.1) Total quantity or scope: (including all lots, renewals and options, if applicable)</pre>
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(if applicable, give figures only) Estimated value excluding VAT: 1361700.00
or Range: between
and
Currency: ■ GBP
<pre>II.2.2) Options (if applicable)  ■ yes</pre>
(if yes) Description of these options: As indicated within the Contract for Services included within this Invitation to Tender, the Contract may be extended for up to a maximum of 12 months
(if known) Provisional timetable for recourse to these options:
in months:
or in days: (from the award of the contract)

# This contract is subject to renewal ■ no Number of possible renewals: (if known) or Range: between and (if known) In the case of renewable supplies or service contracts, estimated timeframe for subsequent contracts: in months: or in days (from the award of the contract): II.3) Duration of the contract or time limit for completion Duration in months: or in days: (from the award of the contract) or Starting (dd/mm/yyyy) Completion (dd/mm/yyyy) 31/03/2018

Section III: Legal, economic, financial and technical information

II.2.3) Information about renewals (if applicable)

- III.1) Conditions relating to the contract
- III.1.1) Deposits and guarantees required: (if applicable)
- III.1.2) Main financing conditions and payment arrangements and/or reference to the relevant provisions governing them

All successful bidders will have to have had their Financial Health checked by the SFA following its procedures shown on its website

III.1.3) Legal form to be taken by the group of economic operators to whom the contract is to be awarded: (if applicable)

At the time of contract award all organisations seeking to be considered for a contract must be a legal entity

III.1.4) Other particular conditions (if applicable)

The performance of the contract is subject to particular conditions

(if	yes)	Description	of	particular	condi	tions:
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						•

- III.2) Conditions for participation
- III.2.1) Personal situation of economic operators, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

Once you have been invited into the Tender you will receive an email alert advising you to sign on to the SFA e-tendering portal with your normal Username and Password. You access the My ITTs' page. (This is a secure area reserved for your projects only) -You can now access any attachments by clicking 'Buyer Attachments' in the ITT Details' box 3. Responding to the tender - Click 'My Response' under ITT Details', you can choose to 'Create Response' or to 'Decline to Respond' (please give a reason if declining) - You can now use the 'Messages' function to communicate with the buyer and seek any clarification - Note the deadline for completion, then follow the onscreen instructions to complete the ITT - There may be a mixture of online & offline actions for you to perform (there is detailed online help available) You must

then submit your reply using the 'Submit Response' button at the top of the page. If you require any further assistance please consult the online help, or contact the eTendering help desk but please note neither of these will be able to offer any advice on the service being procured, this is only available by using the online message board.

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

Minimum	level(s)	of	standards	possibly	required:	(if	applicable)
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#### III.2.3) Technical capacity

Information and formalities necessary for evaluating if the requirements are met:

#### Minimum level(s) of standards possibly required: (if applicable)

Candidates must appear on the Register of Training Organisations published in either September 2015, February 2016 or April 2016 and indicated that they were interested in delivering to the LEP area covered..

#### III.2.4) Information about reserved contracts (if applicable)

- ☐ The contract is restricted to sheltered workshops
- ☐ The execution of the contract is restricted to the framework of sheltered employment programmes
- III.3) Conditions specific to services contracts
- III.3.1) Information about a particular profession

(if yes) Reference to the relevant law, regulation or administrative provision:

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III.3.2) Legal persons should indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff responsible for the execution of the service
Section IV: Procedure
IV.1) Type of procedure
IV.1.1) Type of procedure  ■ Restricted
Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure:
Some candidates have already been selected (if appropriate under certain types of negotiated procedures)
(if yes, provide names and addresses of economic operators already selected under Section VI.3 Additional information)
Justification for the choice of accelerated procedure:
IV.1.2) Limitations on the number of operators who will be invited to tender or to participate (restricted and negotiated procedures, competitive dialogue)
Envisaged number of operators
or Envisaged minimum number

and (if applicable) maximum	number 	
Objective criteria for choos	ing the limited number of car	ndidates:
IV.1.3) Reduction of the number (negotiated procedure, compe	ber of operators during the r titive dialogue)	negotiation or dialogue
Recourse to staged procedure discussed or tenders to be no	to gradually reduce the numb	er of solutions to be
IV.2) Award criteria		
IV.2.1) Award criteria (please  ■ The most economically adva	se tick the relevant box(es)) antageous tender in terms of	)
■ the criteria stated in the negotiate or in the descript	e specifications, in the invi ive document	tation to tender or to
	Criteria	Weighting
IV.3) Administrative informa	itional information about ele	
applicable)		

IV.3.2) Previous publication(s) concerning the same contract
if yes
Notice number in the OJEU:
of (dd/mm/yyyy)
Other previous publications (if applicable)
Notice number in the OJEU:
of (dd/mm/yyyy)
Notice number in the OJEU:
of (dd/mm/yyyy)
IV.3.3) Conditions for obtaining specifications and additional documents or descriptive document in the case of a competitive dialogue
Time limit for receipt of requests for documents or for accessing documents
Date (dd/mm/yyyy):
Time
Payable documents

(if yes, give figures only) Price:											
Currency											
Terms and method of payment:											
IV.3.4) Time limit for receipt of tender	s or red	quest	s to	pa	rtic	:ipa	te				
<pre>Date (dd/mm/yyyy): 20/06/2016</pre>											
Time: 17:00											
IV.3.5) Date of dispatch of invitations candidates (if known, in the case of rescompetitive dialogue)				-		_					
Language(s) in which tenders may be draw ES CS DA DE ET EL EN FR IT LV LT □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □ □	n up HU MT	NL	PL □	PT	SK	SL	FI O	SV □	BG	GA □	RO
<pre>IV.3.7) Minimum time frame during which until: (dd/mm/yyyy)</pre>	the tend	lerer	mus	it m	aint	ain	the	ter	ıder		
or Duration in months:											
or in days (from the date stated for rec	eipt of	tend	er):								

IV.3.8) Conditions for opening tenders		
Date (dd/mm/yyyy):		
Time:		
Official name		
National ID		
For the attention of		
Postal address		
Town	-	
Postal code		
Country		
(if applicable) Place:		
Persons authorised to be present at the	opening of tenders	(if applicable)
list of person		

Section VI: Complementary information

### VI.1) This is a recurrent procurement (if applicable)

(if yes) Estimated timing for further notices to be published:			
VI.2) The contract is related to a project Union funds  ■ yes	and/or programme financed by European		
(if yes) Reference to project(s) and/or pro ESIF 2014 to 2020 Programme	ogramme(s):		
VI.3) Additional information: (if applicab The Contracting Authority intends to use exercise	le) an eTendering system in this procurement		
VI.4) Procedures for appeal			
VI.4.1) Body responsible for appeal procedu	ures		
Official name	National ID		

Official name	National ID
Postal address	
Town	Postal code Country
E-mail	Telephone
Internet address: (URL)	Fax

#### Body responsible for mediation procedures (if applicable)

Official name	National ID
Postal address	
Town	Postal code Country
E-mail	Telephone
Internet address: (URL)	Fax

## VI.4.2) Lodging of appeals (please fill in heading VI.4.2 or if need be, heading VI.4.3)

#### Precise information on deadline(s) for lodging appeals:

You should note that there is no separate right of appeal against the award decisions made. However if you consider that the SFA has not followed the published process or the decision made is unreasonable, you are able to make a complaint under the SFA's complaints procedure which can be accessed at:

www.gov.uk/government/organisations/skills-funding-agency/about/complaints-procedure

#### VI.4.3) Service from which information about the lodging of appeals may be obtained

Official name	National ID
Postal address	
Town	Postal code   Country
E-mail	Telephone
Internet address: (URL)	Fax

VI.5) Date of dispatch of this notice (dd/mm/yyyy): 16/05/2016

Annex A

Additional addresses and contact points