

INVITATION TO TENDER

for

The Contract for the delivery of the skills and knowledge required within the 2024 ECITB Scholarship Programme (SW Bridgwater area) – pathway requirements detailed in document 9 and the specification documents 2 (a-c), split into Three (3) Lots.

The Engineering Construction Industry Training Board (ECITB) is pleased to invite tender offers for the regional contracts mentioned above. Full details are attached in the tender pack, which comprises the following items:

- 1. This notice, which sets out instructions to tenderers and other information relating to the process.
- 2. A specification describing the services required.
- 3. An Invitation to Tender Document (ITT).
- 4. Evaluation Methodology and Criteria to be adopted.
- 5. Tender Clarification Request Form.
- 6. A contract summary.
- 7. Tender PQQ.
- 8. The form of the proposed contract (Deed).
- 9. Scholarship cohort requirements by discipline and region.

If you cannot access any of the above documents, or believe them to be incomplete, please contact the nominated person (below) as a matter of urgency.

Background information on the ECITB.

Further information about the ECITB and the Scholarship may be found on its website (www.ecitb.org.uk/ecitb-scholarships/)

Tender process instructions.

- 1. The tender pack must be completed and **returned electronically** by the deadline specified in the Tender timescale set out in the table below. The ECITB will not consider incomplete tender submissions, or any documents received after the deadlines stated.
- 2. The dates listed here may be subject to change at the sole discretion of the ECITB.

Event	Date
Tender issue	20 th September 2024
Tenderers Question Period	By 5.00pm on Friday 11 th October
Tender Submission Deadline	By 5.00pm on Friday 18 th October
Evaluation/Post Clarification	By Friday 25 th October
Contract Award	November 2024
Anticipated Contract Start Date	November / December 2024

- 3. The tender must be returned as one electronic copy (by email to the ECITB nominated contact whose details appear below).
- 4. Tenderers may submit questions concerning the proposed contract and the tender process during the Tenderers Question Period described above. Such questions must be submitted using the Tender Clarification Request Form. It should be noted that copies of such questions and the ECITB's response may be circulated amongst all parties which have shown an interest in tendering. If your question is of a confidential or commercially sensitive nature,

- please note this clearly on submission of your question. Questions on Tender Clarification Request Forms should be submitted to the nominated contact (below).
- 5. Completed Tender packs must be submitted to the nominated contact at the e-mail address stated below by the tender deadline.
- Tender submissions will be appraised in accordance with the provisions of the enclosed statement of Evaluation Methodology and Criteria to be adopted in evaluating tenderers submissions.
- 7. The ECTIB will notify all bidders of its decision concerning the award of the proposed contract, and feedback will be available from the nominated contact upon request.

Nominated Contact

Details of the nominated contact for this tender are as follows:

Name:	Mr Adrian Wookey
Position:	Head of New Entrants
Telephone:	07971 860102
E-Mail:	Adrian.wookey@ecitb.org.uk

General:

a. Anticipated Contract Duration

The contract duration is anticipated to be no longer than 1 academic year, running from the contract start date in Nov/Dec 2024 to a contract end date in Q2 (April – June) – 2025.

b. Learner Bursary

The ECITB will be paying learner bursary at a rate of:

- Level 2 = £60 per week for subject to terms and conditions during term time.
- Level 3 = £100 per week for subject to terms and conditions during term time.
- c. The Form of the proposed Contract

Upon acceptance by the ECITB of a tender it is a condition of the acceptance that the ECITB and the successful tenderer execute a contract in the same format as the attached Form of Contract – document 8.

If you should have any questions relating to the process outlined in this letter, please contact the Nominated Contact.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of the ECITB

Adrian Wookey

Head of New Entrants