

Ireland-Dublin: Training services
OJ S 179/2019 17/09/2019
Contract award notice
Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: Solas

National registration number: N/A

Postal address: Castleforbes House, Castleforbes Road

Town: Dublin 1

NUTS code: IE Éire / Ireland

Postal code: Dublin

Country: Ireland

Contact person: James Hall

E-mail: tenders@solas.ie

Internet address(es):

Main address: <http://www.solas.ie/>

Address of the buyer profile: <https://irl.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/1210>

I.4. Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5. Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement

II.1.1. Title

External Monitoring and Authentication Services for Solas Pre-2016 Apprenticeship Programmes

Reference number: 145736

II.1.2. Main CPV code

80500000 Training services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

SOLAS is approved by Quality Qualification Ireland (QQI) as a coordinator provider for pre 2016 craft apprenticeship programmes. SOLAS has a statutory duty to implement a series of monitoring and reporting processes which establish the effectiveness of the apprenticeship training programme delivery.

To ensure proper governance arrangements and independent monitoring systems are in place and are effective, SOLAS is required to confirm the 16 Education and Training Boards (ETBs), 11 Institutes of Technology (IOTs) and the Irish Fariery School are providing the necessary supports and services, and are consistently delivering the respective programmes in accordance with SOLAS and QQI criteria. The objective of monitoring is to safeguard and maintain the integrity of the programmes and associated QQI accredited awards.

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.1.7. Total value of the procurement

Value excluding VAT: 928 000,00 EUR

II.2. Description

II.2.2. Additional CPV code(s)

80000000 Education and training services, 80300000 Higher education services, 80531000 Industrial and technical training services

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: IE061 Dublin

Main site or place of performance: Dublin 1.

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

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In April 2016 QQI issued mandatory core statutory quality assurance guidelines for all approved QQI providers. The QQI guidelines identify the requirements 'QQI approved training providers' must observe, which includes their obligations in ensuring quality assurance requirements are being observed. SOLAS, as coordinating provider of pre-2016 apprenticeship programmes, therefore is required by its governance obligations to undertake comprehensive independent monitoring and evaluation of programme delivery and associated services.

SOLAS as a coordinator provider is directly responsible for 25 pre 2016 apprenticeship programmes, which currently have an active population of over 14 300 apprentices. The active apprentice population is expected to grow to 30 000 apprentices by the end of 2020.

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II.2.5. Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Proposed personnel / Weighting: 300

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery methods / Weighting: 200

Quality criterion - Name: Service levels and methodology / Weighting: 150

Quality criterion - Name: Replacing personnel / Weighting: 50

Cost criterion - Name: Cast / Weighting: 300

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

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Open procedure

IV.1.3. Information about a framework agreement or a dynamic purchasing system

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

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: no

IV.2. Administrative information

IV.2.1. Previous publication concerning this procedure

Notice number in the OJ S: [2019/S 025-055555](#)

IV.2.8. Information about termination of dynamic purchasing system

IV.2.9. Information about termination of call for competition in the form of a prior information notice

Section V: Award of contract

Contract No: 1

Title:

External Monitoring and Authentication Services for SOLAS Pre-2016 Apprenticeship Programmes

A contract/lot is awarded: yes

V.2. Award of contract

V.2.1. Date of conclusion of the contract

30/08/2019

V.2.2. Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

V.2.3. Name and address of the contractor

Official name: Safety Solutions

National registration number: N/A

Postal address: 2 Lyncon Court, Snugborough Business and Technology

Town: Dublin 15
NUTS code: IE Éire / Ireland
Postal code: Blanchardstown
Country: Ireland
E-mail: karen@safetysolutions.ie
Telephone: +353 18354084
Internet address: <http://www.safetysolutions.ie>
The contractor is an SME: yes

V.2.4. Information on value of the contract/lot

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: 928 000,00 EUR

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V.2.5. Information about subcontracting

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1. Review body

Official name: Solas

Town: Dublin

Country: Ireland

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

12/09/2019