

United Kingdom-Manchester: Business and management consultancy and related services

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Contract notice

Services

Legal Basis:

Directive 2014/24/EU

Section I: Contracting authority

I.1. Name and addresses

Official name: GM Business Support Ltd

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Internet address(es):Main address: <http://www.businessgrowthhub.com/>Address of the buyer profile: <http://www.businessgrowthhub.com/>**I.3. Communication**The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/manchestergrowthcompany.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the abovementioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via: <https://in-tendhost.co.uk/manchestergrowthcompany.aspx/Home>**I.4. Type of the contracting authority**

Other type: Private company running publicly funded projects

I.5. Main activity

Other activity: Support to local businesses via public funded projects

Section II: Object

II.1. Scope of the procurement**II.1.1. Title**

Framework of Activity Providers, Consultants and Associates for Skills for Growth – SME Support Programme

Reference number: T21073

II.1.2. Main CPV code

79400000 Business and management consultancy and related services

II.1.3. Type of contract

Services

II.1.4. Short description

This Dynamic Procurement System (DPS) is to procure many providers, consultants, and associates to assist in the delivery of the Greater Manchester Skills for Growth – SME Support Programme. Approved bids put forward by the successful providers, consultants and associates will form the framework from which the delivery activity will take place.

II.1.5. Estimated total value

Value excluding VAT: 1 000 000,00 GBP

II.1.6. Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: no

II.2. Description

II.2.3. Place of performance

NUTS code: UKD3 Greater Manchester

II.2.4. Description of the procurement

GMBS would like to procure providers, consultants, and associates to assist in the delivery of Skills for Growth – SME Support Programme. (See Appendix 1 for further details)

Skills for Growth – SME Support is a fully funded, tailored service to help up-skill businesses and their employees and improve business productivity. The programme will help business leaders grow their business through re-shaping, developing their talent and enhancing their team's performance. Offering impartial advice and guidance to both the business and the individual employees, through one-to-one consultations either with our skills coaches, wellbeing champions and apprenticeship specialists or our procured providers, consultants, or associates. The programme and the team have been developed to help Greater Manchester come back stronger from the challenges presented before, during and after the pandemic, this time better equipped and better prepared with the skills for the future. The Skills Coaches will provide impartial brokerage through to training solutions and funding supported via the commissioned skills delivery element of the Skills for Growth Programme.

The programme will have a core focus on supporting those employed and in work, definition as per ESF guidance. In addition to the ESF eligibility, individuals will also need to evidence at entry to the programme the following requirements. They:

- Must be in work at time of entry to the programme (in work with a zero hours contract, furloughed, in work claiming Universal credit and self-employed are all considered eligible), or unemployed with prior approval as mentioned above.
- Must be able to evidence right to work and live in the UK
- Must be aged over 16.
- Must live and/or work within Great Manchester (individual's residency or employer's trading address must be on the approved postcode list provided on the tracker system mentioned in section 13)

GMBS will pay the consultant, provider or associate a maximum cost of £450.00 + VAT for the identification of a business, the signed SPP and a minimum of 3 signed ISDPs.

Each additional ISDP completed with a business (to a maximum of 10) will be paid at a maximum of £50,00 + VAT per ISDP.

Payment will be made upon receipt of the signed SPP/ISDPs and upon confirmation they have passed quality and compliance checks.

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

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

Duration in months: 7

This contract is subject to renewal: yes

Description of renewals:

GMBS reserves the right to extend the duration up to the 30th September 2022

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:
yes

Identification of the project: European Social Fund (ESF)

II.2.14. Additional information

Section IV: Procedure

IV.1. Description

IV.1.1. Type of procedure

Restricted procedure

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

The procurement involves the setting up of a dynamic purchasing system

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

Date: 31/03/2022 Local time: 23:00

IV.2.3. Estimated date of dispatch of invitations to tender or to participate to selected candidates

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

English

Section VI: Complementary information

VI.1. Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: no

VI.3. Additional information

VI.4. Procedures for review

VI.4.1.

Review body

Official name: GM Business Support Limited

Town: Manchester

Country: United Kingdom

VI.4.2. Body responsible for mediation procedures

Official name: GM Business Support Limited

Town: Manchester

Country: United Kingdom

VI.5. Date of dispatch of this notice

02/09/2021