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Contract

ID 4968205 DfE - Invest NI - Provision of Advice and Guidance on NI's Dual Market Access Framework

Invest Northern Ireland

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-000734

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocids-h6vhtk-040d5c

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Invest Northern Ireland

Bedford Square, Bedford Street

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

I.2) Information about joint procurement

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

General public services

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

ID 4968205 DfE - Invest NI - Provision of Advice and Guidance on NI's Dual Market Access Framework

Reference number

4968205

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79300000 - Market and economic research; polling and statistics

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The Client wishes to appoint a framework of Contractors to Provide advice, analysis and

guidance to Invest NI (including its overseas offices), potential foreign direct investors, and DfE on the benefits (or otherwise) of Northern Ireland's Dual Market Access proposition brought about through the Northern Ireland Protocol and Windsor Framework. There are two separate Lots with a maximum of 3 Contractors to be appointed per Lot: 1. Advice, Analysis and Guidance on the Movement of Goods To and From Northern Ireland 2. Advice and Guidance on the Movement of People It is intended that the contracts will commence upon contract award (expected to be December 2023).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.2) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 1 Advice, Analysis and Guidance on the Movement of Goods To and From NI

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79311400 - Economic research services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411000 - General management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Team Experience / Weighting: 40.8

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Contract Management / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Social Value / Weighting: 10.2

Cost criterion - Name: AC4 Daily Rate- Senior Grade / Weighting: 20

Cost criterion - Name: AC5 Daily Rate- Junior Grade / Weighting: 20

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There is one option to extend for any period up to, and including, twelve months.

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) Description

II.2.1) Title

Lot 2 Advice and Guidance on the Movement of People

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79311400 - Economic research services
- 79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services
- 79410000 - Business and management consultancy services
- 79411000 - General management consultancy services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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Quality criterion - Name: AC1 Personnel Experience / Weighting: 40.8

Quality criterion - Name: AC2 Contract Management / Weighting: 9

Quality criterion - Name: AC3 Social Value / Weighting: 10.2

Cost criterion - Name: AC4 Daily Rate / Weighting: 40

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

There is one option to extend for any period up to, and including, twelve months.

II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds

The procurement is related to a project and/or programme financed by European Union funds: No

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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure

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Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

1

Lot No

1

Title

ID 4968205 Lots 1 and 2

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

Other reasons (discontinuation of procedure)

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.3) Additional information

Both Lots 1 and 2 were not awarded due to 'other reasons' as stated in Section V of this notice.

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures.

Belfast

Country

United Kingdom

VI.4.3) Review procedure

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015.