

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/001492-2026>

Planning

Provision of Internal Audit Services

Northumbria University at Newcastle Upon Tyne

UK2: Preliminary market engagement notice - Procurement Act 2023 - [view information about notice types](#)

Notice identifier: 2026/S 000-001492

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0601f1

Published 8 January 2026, 2:05pm

Scope

Reference

T25/0003

Description

The purpose of this Preliminary Market Engagement exercise is to identify a strategic partner to deliver Internal Audit Services. The provider will conduct reviews across multiple areas of the University. We are looking for a provider who will work collaboratively with our Executive team and Board of Governors (/Audit Committee) to support the ongoing development and embedding of a value-adding assurance framework—one that goes beyond compliance to actively strengthen our governance, risk management and operational effectiveness. Initially we see this as an opportunity to shape a programme of around nine reviews annually, tailored to the University's evolving strategic priorities. We are open to suggestions of approaches that you deliver elsewhere for dynamic and ambitious organisations that seeks to obtain value from all of its partner engagements.

For more information about this opportunity, please visit the Delta eSourcing portal at:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/tenders/UK-UK-Newcastle-Upon-Tyne:-Auditing-services./MY3RTCB5U3>

To respond to this opportunity, please click here:

<https://www.delta-esourcing.com/respond/MY3RTCB5U3>

Total value (estimated)

- £500,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 2 August 2026 to 1 August 2029
- Possible extension to 1 August 2031
- 5 years

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79212000 - Auditing services
- 79212100 - Financial auditing services
- 79212200 - Internal audit services
- 79212300 - Statutory audit services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom
-

Engagement

Engagement deadline

30 January 2026

Engagement process description

We are conducting a Preliminary Market Engagement exercise to seek a strategic partner to deliver Internal Audit Services. We are looking for a provider who will work collaboratively with our Executive team and Board of Governors (/Audit Committee) to support the on-going development and embedding of a value-adding assurance framework—one that goes beyond compliance to actively strengthen our governance, risk management and operational effectiveness. Initially we see this as an opportunity to shape a programme of around nine reviews annually, tailored to the University's evolving strategic priorities. We are open to suggestions of approaches that you deliver elsewhere for dynamic and ambitious organisations that seeks to obtain value from all of its partner engagements.

Further information relating to this PME opportunity are available via our Delta eSourcing platform:

https://login.bipsolutions.com/casDelta/login?service=https%3A%2F%2Fneupc.delta-esourcing.com%2Fdelta%2Fj_spring_cas_security_check

Access Code: MY3RTCB5U3

The value referenced in relation to this pre-market engagement is indicative only and does not represent a commitment to any specific level of expenditure.

There are a number of questions in the e-tendering portal that we require interested parties to respond to. A tender exercise will follow in accordance with Northumbria's Financial Regulations and shortlisted suppliers will be invited to submit a bid.

Contracting authority

Northumbria University at Newcastle Upon Tyne

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PNBP-4638-XHJP

Pandon Building, Camden Street

Newcastle Upon Tyne

NE1 8ST

United Kingdom

Contact name: Jill Black

Email: jill.black@northumbria.ac.uk

Region: UKC22 - Tyneside

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government