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## **QUB/1996/21 Research Contractor to conduct the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey**

Queen's University Belfast

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F02: Contract notice

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### **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### **I.1) Name and addresses**

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Buyer's address

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## **I.2) Information about joint procurement**

The contract involves joint procurement

In the case of joint procurement involving different countries, state applicable national procurement law

United Kingdom

## **I.3) Communication**

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast.aspx/Home>

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## **I.4) Type of the contracting authority**

Body governed by public law

## **I.5) Main activity**

Education

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## **Section II: Object**

### **II.1) Scope of the procurement**

#### **II.1.1) Title**

QUB/1996/21 Research Contractor to conduct the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey

Reference number

QUB/1996/21

#### **II.1.2) Main CPV code**

- 79310000 - Market research services

#### **II.1.3) Type of contract**

Services

#### **II.1.4) Short description**

The aim of the Northern Ireland Life and Times Survey is to provide a time-series and a public record of how the attitudes and behaviour of adults in Northern Ireland develop on a wide range of social policy issues. The survey is designed to meet two distinctive but complementary needs: 1. a local resource for use by the general public; 2. data to inform a more theoretical academic debate within the field of social policy research. The purpose of this procurement is to appoint a Research Contractor to conduct the survey on behalf of Queen's University Belfast and Ulster University. Please note: the award of this contract and the appointment of a Research Contractor will be subject to confirmation of funding.

#### **II.1.5) Estimated total value**

Value excluding VAT: £216,000

#### **II.1.6) Information about lots**

This contract is divided into lots: No

### **II.2) Description**

#### **II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)**

- 79310000 - Market research services

### **II.2.3) Place of performance**

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

Main site or place of performance

Northern Ireland

### **II.2.4) Description of the procurement**

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### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

18

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

The Contract shall be for one round of the survey in 2021, with the option to extend to a further one round of the survey in 2022, subject to satisfactory performance and funding.

### **II.2.10) Information about variants**

Variants will be accepted: No

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

The Contract shall be for one round of the survey in 2021, with the option to extend to a further one round of the survey in 2022, subject to satisfactory performance and funding. This option to extend shall be entirely at the discretion of Queen's.

#### **II.2.13) Information about European Union Funds**

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

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### **Section III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information**

#### **III.1) Conditions for participation**

##### **III.1.2) Economic and financial standing**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

##### **III.1.3) Technical and professional ability**

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

#### **III.2) Conditions related to the contract**

##### **III.2.3) Information about staff responsible for the performance of the contract**

Obligation to indicate the names and professional qualifications of the staff assigned to performing the contract

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## **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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate**

Date

30 April 2021

Local time

4:00pm

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

English

#### **IV.2.6) Minimum time frame during which the tenderer must maintain the tender**

Tender must be valid until: 28 August 2021

#### **IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders**

Date

30 April 2021

Local time

4:30pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

### **VI.1) Information about recurrence**

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

### **VI.2) Information about electronic workflows**

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.4) Procedures for review**

#### **VI.4.1) Review body**

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United Kingdom

#### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

This authority will incorporate a standstill period at the point information on the award of the contract is communicated to Tenderers. That notification will provide full information on the award decision. The standstill period, which will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days, provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contract Regulations 2015 (SI 2015/102) as amended, provide for aggrieved parties who have been harmed or are at risk of harm by a breach of the rules to take action in the High Court (England, Wales and Northern Ireland).