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Tender

T1184 - Blood Sample Collection and Analysis

University of Essex

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-060f65

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Scope

Reference

T1184

Description

Please access the opportunity via <https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

Understanding Society: the UK Household Longitudinal Study (UKHLS) is a longitudinal social survey of households and individuals living in the UK. Data collection began in January 2009 and participants are interviewed annually. In Waves 2 and 3 of the Study (2010-13) a wide range of objective health measures were collected via a nurse visit, including venous blood samples from which we produced a range of analytes, extracted DNA and produced genetic and epigenetic data. A similar exercise is being undertaken at Wave 16 (2024-26), where the nurse visit has been replaced by participants collecting samples/measurements themselves.

This contract covers the data collection and analysis for a further bio-data collection on the Study's Innovation Panel (2027) ahead of a potential roll out on the main Study sample at Wave 22 (2030-32). The Study is designed and managed by the Institute for

Social and Economic Research (ISER) at the University of Essex ("the University").

Total value (estimated)

- £1,125,000 excluding VAT
- £1,350,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 14 May 2026 to 30 April 2028
- Possible extension to 30 April 2032
- 5 years, 11 months, 18 days

Description of possible extension:

Initial 2 year contract basis with the ability to extend for a further 4 years (a 1-year pilot and a 3-year main survey rollout) (2+1+3).

Main procurement category

Services

Additional procurement category

Goods

CPV classifications

- 85111810 - Blood analysis services

Contract locations

- UK - United Kingdom

Submission

Enquiry deadline

20 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission type

Requests to participate

Tender submission deadline

27 February 2026, 12:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://supplierlive.proactisp2p.com/Account/Login>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

1 May 2026

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type
Quality	ITT Quality evaluation is estimated to utilise 80% (ITT Stage weighting subject to change prior to commencement of ITT)	Quality
Price	ITT Price evaluation is estimated to utilise 20% (ITT Stage weighting subject to change prior to commencement of ITT)	Price

Weighting description

PSQ Stage will utilise 100% PSQ Quality evaluation

ITT Quality evaluation is estimated to utilise 80%

ITT Price evaluation is estimated to utilise 20%

(ITT Stage weighting subject to change prior to commencement of ITT)

Other information

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

Competitive Flexible Procedure

PSQ Stage with Shortlisting to 5 bidders

ITT Stage

Notification of Outcome

Contracting authority

University of Essex

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PQBL-6931-JNGJ

Wivenhoe Park

Colchester

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United Kingdom

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Region: UKH34 - Essex Haven Gateway

Organisation type: Public authority - sub-central government