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## **EC0945 Scottish Election Study 2021-2025**

University Of Edinburgh

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

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

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Main address

<http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/procurement/supplying>

Buyer's address

[https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107](https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA00107)

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

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

<https://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted electronically via

[www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk](http://www.publictendersscotland.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk)

**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**

EC0945 Scottish Election Study 2021-2025

Reference number

EC0945

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

- 73210000 - Research consultancy services

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

Services

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

##### 1. Introduction

The University of Edinburgh has a requirement for surveys to be carried out to monitor Scottish Opinion on the long-term dynamics of electoral choice. The University is the lead research organisation for the Scottish Election Study 2021 – 2025 and this will be facilitated by our School of Social and Political Science. The surveys refer to the SCOTTish Opinion (SCOOP) monitor with further information provided below.

##### 2. SCOOP Introduction

The purpose of SCOOP is to track changing attitudes to leaders, parties and constitutional options between elections, with a common core of questions and rotating themes.

The SCOOP allows us to track (i) changes in attitudes between elections at a (ii) significant moment in Scottish political life given the ongoing fallout from Brexit and heavy pressure for an independence referendum. It allows us to (iii) provide essential data to the wider academic community on the relationship between constitutional and partisan preferences and (iv) explore voting behaviour not just in devolved elections but in General Elections too.

Conducted three times per year, the SCOOP surveys will occur roughly every four months (typically March, June and October in any given year). It is a cross-sectional survey, with a separate sample of 1200 each time it is conducted. In any given year, two of the three

SCOOP surveys will be 10 minutes long. The third will be 15 minutes long. In the event of a UK General Election, the 15 minute SCOOP survey in the relevant year will become a post-election survey.

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

Value excluding VAT: £196,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

NUTS codes

- UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

Main site or place of performance

University of Edinburgh

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

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Questionnaire: The SES team will provide copies of questionnaires at least two weeks before fieldwork commences, with possible last minute changes to a handful of questions for the post-election survey depending on the results of the election. We would expect to see draft versions of the interface and opportunities for comment before fieldwork commences.

Fieldwork: We require the relevant consultant to identify a sample of respondents from an existing online panel, administer the survey to ensure a completed sample of 1200 respondents, deliver the resulting SPSS dataset, complete with relevant demographic and political weights within two weeks of the completion of fieldwork. A comment on panel size and spread (by region, partisan distribution, age and gender, as well as recently expansions and polling activity within the panel would be welcome. This will allow us to evaluate likely sample quality as well as any risks of panel conditioning. A comment on weighting procedures would be welcome.

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#### Survey Deliverables

SPSS dataset, complete with variable names and labels, value labels, missing data specified, and with appropriate weight variable.

#### **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**

Value excluding VAT: £196,000

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

Duration in months

48

This contract is subject to renewal

No

#### **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: 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.2.2) Contract performance conditions**

As in the tender document

##### **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

## **Section IV. Procedure**

### **IV.1) Description**

#### **IV.1.1) Type of procedure**

Open procedure

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

Not required

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

Framework agreement with a single operator

#### **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

12:00pm

#### **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: 30 July 2021

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

Date

30 April 2021

Local time

12:00pm

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This is a recurrent procurement: No

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

Electronic ordering will be used

Electronic invoicing will be accepted

Electronic payment will be used

### **VI.3) Additional information**

PCS-Tender is being used for this procurement process. Please note this is a different website and if you are not already registered registration will be required.

The buyer is using PCS-Tender to conduct this ITT exercise. The Project code is 18407. For more information see:

<http://www.publiccontractscotland.gov.uk/info/InfoCentre.aspx?ID=2343>

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

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

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United Kingdom