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Contract

Audit Services

Police Digital Service

F03: Contract award notice

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Police Digital Service

20 Gresham Street,

LONDON

EC2V 7JE

Contact

Nia Harvey

Email

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Country

United Kingdom

Region code

UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

08113293

Internet address(es)

Main address

www.pds.police.uk

Buyer's address

<https://uk.eu-supply.com/ctm/Company/CompanyInformation/Index/94392>

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Public order and safety

Section II: Object**II.1) Scope of the procurement****II.1.1) Title**

Audit Services

Reference number

PDSCN-329-2024

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

In accordance with best procurement practice, EU and UK Procurement Directives and Regulations, Police Digital Service (Company) is seeking to establish a contract through the Open Procedure (as defined in the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (Regulation 27)), for the provision of Audit Services. The offering will be split into two (2) lots within the Invitation to Tender (ITT), the first being External Audit Services and the second being Internal Audit Services. Suppliers are required to bid on ONE lot only.

The Company intends to award the Contract Agreement based on the most economically advantageous tender (MEAT). The Company will not be bound to accept the lowest price of any Tender submitted, but will be evaluating Tenders on the quality and price criteria set forth in this Invitation to Tender (ITT).

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: Yes

II.1.7) Total value of the procurement (excluding VAT)

Value excluding VAT: £140,400

II.2) Description**II.2.1) Title**

External Audit Services

Lot No

1

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

External audits play a crucial role in promoting good corporate governance practices by providing independent oversight of companies' financial reporting processes to ensure financial statements, including balance sheet, and cash flow statements are accurate. This helps ensure transparency, accountability, and integrity in corporate operations. Auditors also ensure that financial statements adhere to accounting standards such as Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) or International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS).

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

The contract will commence upon signature and will continue for an initial period of 36 months (Contract Initial Period) with the option to extend a further period of 12 months (Contract Extension Period), unless terminated in accordance with the Conditions of the Contract. Where the Company decided to activate the Contract Extension Period, it will give the Suppliers at least three (3) months' notice in writing before the end of the Contract Initial Period (and/or before the end of the first Contract Extension Period).

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

Internal Audit Services

Lot No

2

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 79212000 - Auditing services

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

CIPFA's Code of Practice for Internal Audit in Local Government in the United Kingdom describes Internal Audit as an assurance function that primarily provides an independent and objective opinion to the organisation on the control environment comprising risk management, control, and governance by evaluating its effectiveness in achieving an organisation's objectives.

II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Technical / Weighting: 60

Quality criterion - Name: Social / Weighting: 10

Price - Weighting: 30

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

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

Title

External Audit Services

A contract/lot is awarded: No

V.1) Information on non-award

The contract/lot is not awarded

No tenders or requests to participate were received or all were rejected

Section V. Award of contract

Contract No

2

Title

Internal Audit Services

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

V.2) Award of contract

V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

7 March 2025

V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 3

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 3

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: No

V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

RSM Risk Assurance Services LLP

25 Farringdon Street

London

EC4A 4AB

Email

bidteam@rsmuk.com

Telephone

+44 1213100

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

National registration number

769016510

The contractor is an SME

Yes

V.2.4) Information on value of contract/lot (excluding VAT)

Total value of the contract/lot: £140,400

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

High Court

7 Rolls Building

London

EC4A 1NL

Country

United Kingdom