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Contract

## **Audit Services**

Police Digital Service

F03: Contract award notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04795d

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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**

[nia.harvey@pds.police.uk](mailto:nia.harvey@pds.police.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**National registration number**

08113293

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

[www.pds.police.uk](http://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

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**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

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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.2.1) Previous publication concerning this procedure**

Notice number: [2024/S 000-028254](#)

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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](mailto: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

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## **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