

This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/009187-2022>

Planning

## **YPO - Supply of Internal and External Audit Services, Assurance Services and Counter-Fraud Investigation Services**

YPO

F01: Prior information notice

Prior information only

Notice identifier: 2022/S 000-009187

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-032a7e

Published 6 April 2022, 7:59am

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

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

YPO

41 Industrial Park

Wakefield

WF2 0XE

#### **Contact**

Rachel Steer - Category Buyer, Corporate & Financial Services

#### **Email**

[rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk](mailto:rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk)

#### **Telephone**

+44 7814295284

**Country**

United Kingdom

**NUTS code**

UKE45 - Wakefield

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<http://www.ypo.co.uk/>

Buyer's address

[https://tendering.ypo.co.uk/procontract/ypo/supplier.nsf/frm\\_home?ReadForm](https://tendering.ypo.co.uk/procontract/ypo/supplier.nsf/frm_home?ReadForm)

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

**I.3) Communication**

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

---

## **Section II: Object**

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

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

YPO - Supply of Internal and External Audit Services, Assurance Services and Counter-Fraud Investigation Services

Reference number

001127

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

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services

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

Services

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

YPO are looking to undertake early supplier engagement to establish an easier and compliant route to market for public sector organisations requiring Internal and External Audit Services, Assurance Services and Counter-fraud Investigation. This is a new framework to YPO and we require engagement from suppliers, which may include Local Authorities themselves, to engage we have a fit-for-purpose solution in place for customers to call off.

YPO reserves the right to not commit to advertising this tender. Any information provided by suppliers prior to any advertising of the tender will not be used to determine the outcome of any processes. Should YPO wish to proceed further a formal procurement process will be followed in accordance with YPO's contract procedure rules. Please note that this notice is to undertake early supplier engagement only, information is being sought without prejudice and without commitment. If you are interested in this opportunity, please email the named contact on this form – Rachel Steer by 06 May 2022. The information given in this PIN is indicative and may be subject to change. Nothing in this PIN shall oblige YPO to proceed with this framework and YPO shall be entitled to revise its service requirements or decide not to proceed at all.

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

Value excluding VAT: £50,000,000

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

This contract is divided into lots: No

## **II.2) Description**

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

- 79210000 - Accounting and auditing services

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

NUTS codes

- UK - United Kingdom

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

The aim of the Framework Internal and External Audit Services, Assurance Services and Fraud Investigation is to provide high-quality audits services, assurance services and counter-fraud investigation which will support effective accountability and lead to better financial reporting and financial management by public bodies. YPO will be holding pre-engagement supplier sessions from 20th April to 20th May 2022. Please contact Rachel Steer at [rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk](mailto:rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk) to request the Request for Information (RFI) document. Please note that the final date to obtain information is 6th May 2022.

The information given in this PIN is indicative and may be subject to change. Nothing in this PIN shall oblige YPO to proceed with this framework and YPO shall be entitled to revise its service requirements or decide not to proceed at all.

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

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

There is a possibility that this framework will be subject to renewal after 3.5 years from the commencement date.

## **II.3) Estimated date of publication of contract notice**

30 September 2022

---

## **Section IV. Procedure**

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

#### **IV.1.8) Information about the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA)**

The procurement is covered by the Government Procurement Agreement: Yes

---

## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

This Prior Information Notice (PIN) is not a call for competition for the purposes of Regulation 26 and 48 of the Public Contracts Regulations 2015. A specific call for competition for this procurement is likely to be published by means of a contract notice in September 2022.

Please note that this information is being sought without prejudice and without commitment. Should YPO wish to proceed any further with any Provider a formal procurement process will be followed in accordance with YPO's contract procedure rules.

YPO will be holding pre-engagement supplier commencing 20th April until 20th May 2022. Please contact Rachel Steer at [rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk](mailto:rachel.steer@ypo.co.uk) to request the Request for Information (RFI) document.

Providers should note that the final date to obtain information is 6th May 2022.

YPO will incorporate a standstill period at the point of notification of the award of contract is provided to all bidders. The standstill period will be for a minimum of 10 calendar days and provides time for unsuccessful tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract is entered into. The Public Contract Regulations 2015 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).