This is a published notice on the Find a Tender service: <a href="https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/009844-2024">https://www.find-tender.service.gov.uk/Notice/009844-2024</a>

#### Contract

# Due Diligence Framework Agreement Lot 3 - Tax Diligence

Scottish National Investment Bank

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2024/S 000-009844

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-040f94

Published 26 March 2024, 3:05pm

## **Section I: Contracting authority**

#### I.1) Name and addresses

Scottish National Investment Bank

1-North, Waverley Gate, 2-4 Waterloo Place

Edinburgh

EH13EG

#### **Email**

procurement@thebank.scot

#### **Telephone**

+44 7776549095

#### Country

**United Kingdom** 

#### **NUTS** code

UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of

#### Internet address(es)

Main address

http://www.thebank.scot

Buyer's address

https://www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk/search/Search\_AuthProfile.aspx?ID=AA30487

## I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

## I.5) Main activity

Economic and financial affairs

## **Section II: Object**

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

#### II.1.1) Title

Due Diligence Framework Agreement Lot 3 - Tax Diligence

#### II.1.2) Main CPV code

79400000 - Business and management consultancy and related services

#### II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

#### II.1.4) Short description

We are a mission-led development investment bank for Scotland, wholly owned by the Scottish Ministers on behalf of the people of Scotland. We have been established to operate commercially and are operationally independent from government. We invest in Scottish business, projects, and communities to deliver environment, social and financial returns for the people of Scotland. Our missions are at the heart of everything that we do. You can find out more about the Bank and our missions at our website www.thebank.scot.

The Bank are setting up a Framework Agreement to undertake Due Diligence on potential investments which we are considering making. The framework will offer the Bank an efficient, cost-effective, and streamlined approach for procuring external support and expertise to assist reactive and consistent delivery of Due Diligence as it is required.

The requirements are split into four Lots:

Lot 1 - Financial Diligence

Lot 2 - Model Audit

Lot 3 – Tax diligence

Lot 4 - Company Valuations

This particular Contract notice and tender exercise relates to Lot 3 - Tax Diligence.

Bidders who are interested in bidding for any of the other Framework Lots can do so by

locating the respective PCS notices, all published on the same date.

#### II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

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

Value excluding VAT: £1,000,000

#### II.2) Description

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

- 66171000 Financial consultancy services
- 66120000 Investment banking services and related services
- 79221000 Tax consultancy services

#### II.2.3) Place of performance

**NUTS** codes

UKM - Scotland

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

The Bank are setting up a Framework Agreement to undertake Due Diligence on potential investments which we are considering making. The framework will offer the Bank an efficient, cost-effective, and streamlined approach for procuring external support and expertise to assist reactive and consistent delivery of Due Diligence as it is required.

The requirements are split into four Lots:

Lot 1 - Financial Diligence

Lot 2 – Model Audit

Lot 3 – Tax diligence

Lot 4 - Company Valuations

This particular tender exercise relates to Lot 3 - Tax Diligence.

Bidders who are interested in bidding for any of the other Framework Lots can do so by locating the respective PCS notices, which were all published on the same date with.

#### II.2.5) Award criteria

Quality criterion - Name: Delivery Methodology / Weighting: 30

Quality criterion - Name: Management Methodology / Weighting: 20

Quality criterion - Name: Management & Delivery Team / Weighting: 20

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

The procurement involves the establishment of a framework agreement

#### 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: <u>2023/S 000-031767</u>

#### Section V. Award of contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

#### V.2) Award of contract

#### V.2.1) Date of conclusion of the contract

1 March 2024

#### V.2.2) Information about tenders

Number of tenders received: 12

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 2

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 12

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 12

The contract has been awarded to a group of economic operators: Yes

#### V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Henderson Loggie LLP

The Vision Building, 2 Greenmarket

Dundee

DD14QB

Telephone

+44 7795826008

Country

**United Kingdom** 

NUTS code

• UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME Yes V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor **Grant Thornton UK LLP** 30 Finsbury Square London EC2A1AG Telephone +44 2077283311 Country **United Kingdom** NUTS code • UK - United Kingdom The contractor is an SME No V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor Ernst & Young LLP (EY) G1 Building, 5 George Square Glasgow

G21DY

Telephone

+44 2079512000
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
• UK - United Kingdom
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor
Anderson Anderson & Brown LLP
81 George Street
Edinburgh
EH2 3ES
Telephone
+44 7973125228
Country
United Kingdom
NUTS code
• UKM75 - Edinburgh, City of
The contractor is an SME
No
V.2.3) Name and address of the contractor

Chiene + Tait LLP

EH3 6NL	
Telephone	
+44 1315585800	
Country	
United Kingdom	
NUTS code	
UK - United Kingdom	

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

Total value of the contract/lot: £1,000,000

The contractor is an SME

No

61 Dublin Street

Edinburgh

## Section VI. Complementary information

## VI.3) Additional information

(SC Ref:761690)

## VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Edinburgh Sheriff Court

Edinburgh

Country

**United Kingdom**