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Contract

## **NIAO - Design, Formatting Origination, Printing, Publishing and Distribution Services for the Northern Ireland Audit Office**

NI Audit Office

F03: Contract award notice

Notice identifier: 2023/S 000-010918

Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-03a48b

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

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

NI Audit Office

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BELFAST

BT7 1EU

#### **Email**

[ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk](mailto:ssdadmin.cpd@finance-ni.gov.uk)

#### **Country**

United Kingdom

#### **Region code**

UK - United Kingdom

**Internet address(es)**

Main address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

Buyer's address

<https://etendersni.gov.uk/epps>

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

The contract is awarded by a central purchasing body

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

Body governed by public law

**I.5) Main activity**

General public services

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## **Section II: Object**

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

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

NIAO - Design, Formatting Origination, Printing, Publishing and Distribution Services for the Northern Ireland Audit Office

Reference number

ID4610278

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

- 79800000 - Printing and related services

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

Services

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

The Northern Ireland Audit Office wishes to establish a contract for the provision of design, formatting and origination, printing, publishing and distribution services.

#### **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: £225,000

### **II.2) Description**

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

- 79810000 - Printing services
- 79820000 - Services related to printing
- 79811000 - Digital printing services
- 79821000 - Print finishing services

- 79821100 - Proofreading services
- 79822400 - Lithographic services
- 79822500 - Graphic design services
- 79823000 - Printing and delivery services
- 79824000 - Printing and distribution services

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

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

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

The Northern Ireland Audit Office wishes to establish a contract for the provision of design, formatting and origination, printing, publishing and distribution services.

### **II.2.5) Award criteria**

Quality criterion - Name: Quality / Weighting: 60

Cost criterion - Name: Cost / Weighting: 40

### **II.2.11) Information about options**

Options: Yes

Description of options

3 year initial contract period plus 2 optional 1 year extensions

### **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

Accelerated procedure

Justification:

This competition is being managed in accordance with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) and run

using the Accelerated Open procedure. This is due requirement for the new contract to commence 01 April 2023, this tender was also

previously published.

#### **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: [2023/S 000-004107](#)

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## **Section V. Award of contract**

### **Contract No**

1

### **Title**

Contract

A contract/lot is awarded: Yes

### **V.2) Award of contract**

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

17 April 2023

#### **V.2.2) Information about tenders**

Number of tenders received: 2

Number of tenders received from SMEs: 1

Number of tenders received from tenderers from other EU Member States: 0

Number of tenders received from tenderers from non-EU Member States: 1

Number of tenders received by electronic means: 2

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

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

CORPORATE DOCUMENT SERVICES LTD

18B Weavers Court, Linfield Road

Belfast

BT12 5GH

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+44 02890347500

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

- UK - United Kingdom

Internet address

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The contractor is an SME

Yes

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

Initial estimated total value of the contract/lot: £225,000

Total value of the contract/lot: £225,000

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## **Section VI. Complementary information**

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

Contractors not delivering on contract requirements is a serious matter. It means the public purse is not getting what it is paying for. If a contractor fails to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance they will be given a specified time to improve. If, after the specified time, they still fail to reach satisfactory levels of contract performance, the matter will be escalated to senior management in CPD for further action. If this occurs and your performance does not improve to satisfactory levels within the specified period, this can be considered grounds for termination of the contract at your expense as provided for in the Conditions of Contract. In lieu of termination, CPD may issue a Notice of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance. A supplier in receipt of multiple Notices of Written Warning or a Notice of Unsatisfactory Performance may, in accordance with The Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended) be excluded

from future public procurement competitions for a period of up to three years. The figure stated in V.2.4 is a. maximum that can. be spent through the framework over the full term and does not give any guarantee of any level of business that may. be awarded under. the agreement

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

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

The UK does not have any such bodies with responsibility for appeal/mediation procedures. Instead; any challenges are dealt with by the High Court, Commercial Division, to which proceedings may be issued regarding alleged breaches of the PCR 2015 as amended

UK

Country

United Kingdom

### **VI.4.3) Review procedure**

Precise information on deadline(s) for review procedures

CPD complied with the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 (as amended). and incorporated a standstill period (i.e. a minimum of 10 calendar days) at the point information on the award of contract was. communicated to tenderers. That notification provided full information on the award decision. This provided time for the unsuccessful. tenderers to challenge the award decision before the contract was entered into.