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Tender

QUB/2524/24 Contract for Northern Ireland Tour Operator

Queen's University Belfast

F02: Contract notice

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-0451c7

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Section I: Contracting authority

I.1) Name and addresses

Queen's University Belfast

Procurement Office, University Road

Belfast

BT7 1NN

Email

f.toh@qub.ac.uk

Country

United Kingdom

NUTS code

UKN - Northern Ireland

Internet address(es)

Main address

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast/asp/Home>

Buyer's address

<https://www.qub.ac.uk/directorates/FinanceDirectorate/visitors/procurement/>

I.3) Communication

The procurement documents are available for unrestricted and full direct access, free of charge, at

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/queensuniversitybelfast/asp/Home>

Additional information can be obtained from the above-mentioned address

Tenders or requests to participate must be submitted to the above-mentioned address

I.4) Type of the contracting authority

Body governed by public law

I.5) Main activity

Education

Section II: Object

II.1) Scope of the procurement

II.1.1) Title

QUB/2524/24 Contract for Northern Ireland Tour Operator

Reference number

QUB/2524/24

II.1.2) Main CPV code

- 98311100 - Laundry-management services

II.1.3) Type of contract

Services

II.1.4) Short description

The University invites tenders from experienced Northern Ireland Tour Operators who will provide end-to-end planning and delivery of impactful and immersive tourism and cultural experiences for university groups. The North America team at Queen's has overarching responsibility for delivering the University's international student recruitment targets and servicing a wide variety of university partnerships in Canada and the USA. A number of these partners send large groups of students or staff to Queen's and Belfast for programming and cultural immersion throughout the academic year. The University is keen to ensure professional delivery of Northern Ireland cultural programming and touring for partner institutions through the appointment of a Tour Operator.

II.1.6) Information about lots

This contract is divided into lots: No

II.2) Description

II.2.2) Additional CPV code(s)

- 63500000 - Travel agency, tour operator and tourist assistance services
- 63512000 - Sale of travel tickets and package tours services
- 63510000 - Travel agency and similar services
- 63515000 - Travel services
- 63516000 - Travel management services
- 63514000 - Tourist guide services
- 63511000 - Organisation of package tours

II.2.3) Place of performance

NUTS codes

- UKN0 - Northern Ireland

II.2.4) Description of the procurement

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II.2.5) Award criteria

Price is not the only award criterion and all criteria are stated only in the procurement documents

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

Duration in months

24

This contract is subject to renewal

Yes

Description of renewals

2 years, with options to extend by up to a further 36 months.

II.2.10) Information about variants

Variants will be accepted: No

II.2.11) Information about options

Options: Yes

Description of options

2 years, with options to extend by up to a further 36 months.

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 III. Legal, economic, financial and technical information

III.1) Conditions for participation

III.1.1) Suitability to pursue the professional activity, including requirements relating to enrolment on professional or trade registers

List and brief description of conditions

Please refer to tender documentation.

III.1.2) Economic and financial standing

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

III.1.3) Technical and professional ability

Selection criteria as stated in the procurement documents

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.2.2) Time limit for receipt of tenders or requests to participate

Date

13 May 2024

Local time

4:00pm

IV.2.4) Languages in which tenders or requests to participate may be submitted

English

IV.2.7) Conditions for opening of tenders

Date

13 May 2024

Local time

4:00pm

Place

Belfast

Section VI. Complementary information

VI.1) Information about recurrence

This is a recurrent procurement: Yes

VI.4) Procedures for review

VI.4.1) Review body

Queen's University Belfast

University Road

Belfast

BT7 1NN

Country

United Kingdom