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Tender

External Audit Services 2025

Bournemouth University

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Procurement identifier (OCID): ocds-h6vhtk-04fae4

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Scope

Reference

PS/ML/239

Description

The purpose of this tender is to appoint a single provider to deliver External Audit Services . The primary role of the external auditors will be to report on the financial statements of Bournemouth University and to carry out whatever examination of the statements and underlying records and control systems is necessary to reach an opinion on the statements. The scope of works also includes but is not limited to audits of the University's subsidiary bodies, annual returns for the US Federal loans and any other funding requirements, as well as individual project audits as required. There will be a requirement to report on whether recurrent and specific grants from OfS (and other bodies and restricted funds where appropriate) have been properly applied for the purposes provided, in accordance with the Bournemouth University's Memorandum of Assurance and Accountability with OfS and that conditions of grant have been met.

Total value (estimated)

- £750,000 including VAT

Above the relevant threshold

Contract dates (estimated)

- 24 February 2026 to 25 February 2031
- Possible extension to 25 February 2032
- 6 years, 2 days

Description of possible extension:

An extension of the contract may be granted, subject to strong performance and the price being held

1 x 12 month period

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 79212000 - Auditing services

Contract locations

- UKK24 - Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole

Submission

Enquiry deadline

22 April 2025, 1:00pm

Submission type

Tenders

Tender submission deadline

29 April 2025, 1:00pm

Submission address and any special instructions

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/bournemouthuniversity/>

Tenders may be submitted electronically

Yes

Languages that may be used for submission

English

Award decision date (estimated)

29 July 2025

Recurring procurement

Publication date of next tender notice (estimated): 25 February 2031

Award criteria

Name	Description	Type	Weighting
Quality (Stage 1)	Please refer to the tender documentation for full details	Quality	60%
Price	Please refer to the tender documentation for full details	Price	30%
Presentation (Stage 2)	Please refer to the tender documentation for full details	Quality	10%

Other information

Description of risks to contract performance

BU Foundation is currently dormant and has no auditing requirements; however, should this change during the term of this contract BU reserve the right to incorporate this as an additional requirement under this Contract.

BU reserves the right to amend the Contract as a result of any regulatory or Sector specific requirements in relation to the provision of this Service, for example, upcoming changes in FRS102 and the Higher Education SORP.

BU reserves the right to request additional "one-off" project specific advice, guidance and support from the appointed auditor, in order to support the University in its decision making.

BU reserves the right to engage and discuss requirements for the 2025/2026 external audit with the appointed provider ahead of the Contract Start Date.

Conflicts assessment prepared/revised

Yes

Procedure

Procedure type

Competitive flexible procedure

Competitive flexible procedure description

Stage 1 - Invitation to submit tenders

Stage 2 - Presentation

Refer to the tender documentation for the full details on the tender stages

Documents

Associated tender documents

<https://in-tendhost.co.uk/bournemouthuniversity/>

Contracting authority

Bournemouth University

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Organisation type: Public undertaking (commercial organisation subject to public authority oversight)